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SCHOOL MOURNS AS TEACHER DIES

PUPILS and staff at a Stourbridge school are mourning the loss of a popular long-serving teacher who died at the age of 59.

Tributes have been paid to Ridgewood High School art teacher Trevor Wainwright, who was described as "inspirational".

He had worked at the school in Wollaston for 37 years.

The much-loved mentor, who had been off work battling cancer for several months, died at his home last Thursday.

Mr Wainwright, who lived in Penn, Wolverhampton, began teaching art at the school in the mid 1970s, when it was called High Park, and stayed on there when it became Ridgewood High in about 1990. A talented artist himself, he had taught the subject to hundreds.

Trevor Wainwright, aged 59

Clive Nutting, headteacher at Ridgewood High School, said: "Although he had been off school for some months, his death was fairly sudden and his passing is a great shock to us."

Mr Nutting paid tribute to Mr Wainwright, saying: "It is unusual for a teacher to work so long at one school, in one community, and that is an indication of his dedication.

Inspirational

"He was a much-loved and inspirational teacher who will be sadly missed not just by the pupils and staff at our school now but also by those that have worked with him over many years."

"His first love was art and his classroom stands as a testament to the quality of work he inspired his pupils to produce.

"His pupils have produced such wonderful work over the years, much of which is on the walls of his classroom.

"He was popular with pupils and staff past and present and we would all like to pass on our sympathies to his family."

Mr Wainwright leaves his wife, Anne, and two children.

Childhood sweethearts James Lane and Louise Weston with baby Emmie Louise

Helix site for sale as workforce face move

A BUSINESS park which was once home to the historic Helix stationery factory is going on the market – as staff on the site prepare to move to a new home.

The globally-renowned stationery company closed down all of its production at the plant, in Lye, Stourbridge, around seven years ago – retaining only an office and warehousing space. Helix entered administration in January with its future looking uncertain.

However, French based stationery group Maped secured its future when it bought the firm for an undisclosed sum last month. The remaining 38-staff on site are due to leave the Engine Lane plant within the next few weeks for new premises.

Developer Mountcity Group said it was actively seeking tenants.

Commercial property agents Bulleys is acting on behalf of the developer to find prospective firms.

Mountcity Investments director Ken Atkinson said: "Our agents Bulleys will be remarketing the site for occupation until such time we can formulate a long term strategy."

Helix boss Mike Pell said a deal was nearly done to relocate to new "flagship" premises within a few miles of the present factory.

Gang robbery on 23-year-old

A MAN was robbed of his mobile phone and £10 cash by a group of teenagers who threatened him in Stourbridge town centre.

The 23-year-old victim was walking along Coventry Street, near the Duke William pub, when he was surrounded by the gang who threatened to stab him. They took his LG Touch phone and cash at around 7.20pm on February 29.

They were between 5'11 and 6ft tall, of average build, aged 14-17 and wore hoodies and scarfs.

Tax cuts nod

CUTS OF £7.5 million over the next year have been approved by Dudley Council after a heated debate that saw it accused of "targeting the vulnerable".

There will also be a freeze on council tax.

The budget was voted through at last night's meeting of the full council.

The freeze on council tax will be made by using a £2.8m government grant.

Emmie is little leaping beauty

CHILDHOOD sweethearts from Halesowen are leaping for joy after the arrival of a special February 29 baby.

Little Emmie Louise Lane was born at 11.05am on February 29 to proud couple James Lane and Louise Weston.

The 33-year-olds, who live in Bromsgrove Road, Romsey, have been together since meeting as schoolchildren at the age of 14.

They have two other daughters, Abbie, aged nine, and Rosie, five, but unlike her sisters Emmie will only be able to truly mark her birthday once every four years.

Special

She joins the ranks of many people born on February 29 who only see their actual birthday in a leap year.

Her delighted father James, who runs Homeserve Furniture Repairs in Brierley Hill with Louise, said: "We are going to give Emmie a birthday on March 1.

"I suppose it is a bit more special being born on February 29, what are the odds of that?"

He added: "All our friends and family are really happy for us."

Bid of £2m is sought for glass museum

A BID for European funding for a multi-million-pound glass museum in Stourbridge is due to be submitted within days.

A total of £2 million is being sought from the European Regional Development Fund for the development on the old Stuart Crystal site in Wordsley.

The museum will house collections from across the region and is expected to attract thousands of visitors.

But bosses have warned the process could take up to six months – and a planning application will not be made until the funding has been secured.

Site owners Complex Developments say they are confident the bid for cash will be successful and they hope the museum could be open to visitors by 2014.

The project was thrown into doubt last summer when arsonists gutted one of the Grade II listed former factories. And subsequent vandal attacks have forced bosses to step up security with fencing.

The application for funding is being drawn up with Dudley Council, as the museum is part of the authority's regeneration blueprint for the borough.

The British Glass Foundation, a charity set up to preserve the region's collections, is also helping to raise money for the project.

MP in CCTV scrap push

SCRAP metal dealers should be made to have CCTV cameras in their yards, a Black Country MP has said.

Margot James, Tory MP for Stourbridge, believes surveillance cameras would deter metal thieves.

Miss James said: "Requiring scrap metal yards to have CCTV to identify metal thieves and those dealing in illegal scrap metal is a demand of many of the groups campaigning to tackle metal theft."

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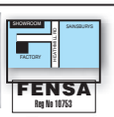

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Company wins contract with top F1 racing team

STOURBRIDGE manufacturing firm Midland Deburr and Finish, of Lye Valley Industrial Estate has won its first contract with a top Formula One motor racing team.

The Surface improvement and degreasing specialists will degrease the gearbox casings for the team.

Boss Chris Arrowsmith said they were unable to reveal the name of the team.

Midland Deburr, which employs eight, joined forces with them at the end of last year and have degreased seven gear box casings.

"We do a lot of automotive work anyway, so the next step was moving into Formula One, which, of course, is very lucrative.

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Mr Arrowsmith said there were no plans for new jobs.

Midland Deburr and Finish was formed 13 years ago and specialise in subcontract surface improvement of ferrous and non-ferrous components.

Removal of 30ft rubbish pile delayed

ENVIRONMENT bosses investigating a 30ft high rubbish pile in Brierley Hill have admitted they need more time before deciding the next course of action.

Waste management firm Refuse Derived Fuel Ltd, based in Moor Street, had initially been given until the end of February to begin removing the pile.

But Environment Agency officials are still analysing evidence from the site.

The firm is accused of missing a series of deadlines in recent months to remove rubbish which residents claim is a blight on the area.

The Environment Agency confirmed all deadlines had now been removed and the investigation was on-going.

Agency staff met with residents at the start of February to discuss their concerns about the rubbish.

Murder afoot for drama group

Front from left, Peter May, Becky Randle, with Chris Fereday and Greg Wilde rehearsing for their show

MEMBERS of a Brierley Hill drama group are preparing for their next production – a comedy thriller set just before the outbreak of the Second World War.

The Community Players have been rehearsing for the play, called Secondary Cause of Death, since November.

It tells the story of a group of people who gather at Bagshot House for an evening's entertainment in 1939, re-enacting a murder mystery. But the frivolity disappears as one after another, the staff and guests are killed.

Group treasurer Mike Harris said: "Everyone is really excited about the show. There is so much hype about being on stage and we love the reaction we get from the audience. It's very rewarding to see it all come together."

The play will be at The Oakfield Centre in Brettell Lane, from March 7 to 10. Tickets cost £6 for adults and £5 for concessions. For information call 01384 394349.

Police give identity of driver killed in car crash

A DRIVER who died after a two-car crash in Kingswinford has been named by police as Geoffrey Harris.

The 56-year-old from Lower Gornal died at Russells Hall Hospital a short time after the accident on Monday February 27.

Emergency crews were were called to Stallings Lane at 5.03am after a blue Vauxhall Astra and a red Renault Megane had collided.

Mr Harris was found in cardiac arrest and was taken to hospital, where he later died.

A 69-year-old man from Dudley was arrested on suspicion of causing death by dangerous driving and has since been bailed pending further inquiries.

Police closed the road for around six hours following the smash leaving workers unable to reach nearby companies.

Debris from the two cars was scattered along Stallings Lane.

It was the second crash in less than 24 hours in Kingswinford.

A driver lost control of his car and overturned at the junction of the A449 and Lawnswood Road on Sunday afternoon.

The man had to be cut free from his car and was taken to hospital for treatment for back and neck injuries.

Police are continuing to appeal for anyone who witnessed the collision in Stallings Lane to get in touch with police by ringing 101.

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Former church treasurer in court on fraud charges

Stephen Methuen, in court over an alleged £500k fraud

This is the first picture of Stephen Methuen – treasurer of both a Stourbridge church and a charity offering "international relief" – who stands accused of defrauding them of a total of £500,000 over six-years.

The 56-year-old appeared before Dudley magistrates last Friday (March 2) when he spoke only to acknowledge his name and address and that he was aware of the 17 charges against him.

Twelve of the allegations are of false accounting and five are of cheating the public purse.

All are said to have been committed between 2003 and 2009, when he was treasurer of Amblecote Christian Centre, in Brettell Lane, and the Christian International Relief Mission.

Wearing a striped shirt and a black zip-up jacket, Methuen, of Smalman Close, Wordsley, was committed to appear at Wolverhampton Crown Court on May 25.

He was granted unconditional bail until the hearing due on May 25.

School to be challenged on climate awareness

PUPILS at Stourbridge's St Joseph's Catholic School are gearing up to compete in what is billed as the country's biggest environmental competition.

The Climate Week Challenge will kick off on March 12.

It will see 25 pupils from Year Four taking part in the competition, which will be judged by celebrities including Autumn Watch's Kate Humble, adventurer and TV presenter Bruce Parry and Spooks star Sophie Myles.

The event is encouraging people from schools, colleges and workplaces to come up with creative ideas to help the environment based on a core challenge.

The details will be revealed at 9am and teams will have until the end of the day to submit their entries.

Meeting for Helpline

THE HAGLEY Helpline, for vulnerable villagers, will hold its annual meeting at St Saviour's Church, Hagley, on Wednesday at 7.30pm.

New volunteers are welcome and, if anyone would like to help but cannot make it to the meeting, they can contact the church office at St Saviour's.

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Tributes as college's IT director dies at age of 45

A SENIOR employee at Stourbridge College has died from heart disease aged 45.

Alex Speed, who leaves a wife and two young sons, had worked at Stourbridge College since 2008.

His colleagues have been left shocked by his sudden death as Mr Speed had appeared fit and active. They said the computer systems expert, from Harborne, had left a lasting legacy at the college, where he was the IT and interactive learning technology director.

He was part of the senior management team based at the Hagley Road Centre.

Born in Newcastle, he had previously worked in Africa and the Far East and had met his wife, Carolle while working in New Zealand and had travelled extensively.

Mr Speed joined the college in 2008 and made many improvements to its IT systems including ensuring wireless facilities were available and introducing an online booking and paying programme for courses.

During his time at the college, he also set up a system to allow the college to make calls across the internet saving almost £600,000 in telephone line rentals. His friend and colleague, Mags Winthrop, said today: "Alex achieved so much and had such a positive impact on the working lives of all staff, teaching and support teams alike and the student experience is vastly improved.

"He had a thirst for life, a passion for work and was committed to his family. He was positive and upbeat."

Alex Speed, aged 45

Dancers' last waltz

The five-man Antics, pipped to the post in national final

WEST Midlands dance outfit Antics missed the top prize after reaching the final of a national TV dance show.

The all-male group, who are from Kingswinford, Tividale and Birmingham had battled for Sky 1 HD's Got to Dance crown, but were pipped to the post by Irish group Prodijig.

Antics, who used to practise outside Tesco's at Burnt Tree Island, Dudley are made up of Joe Priest, 18, of Rangeways Road, Kingswinford, Oscar McDevitt, 18, of Grace Road, Tividale, and three Birmingham dancers – Jordan Breakspear, 20, Nathan Marsh, 20, and Matthew Grieh, 21.

Jordan said on Twitter: "We never made it through but we've had the best experience ever."

Inquest opens on infant

AN INQUEST has opened on the sudden death of a boy from Halesowen.

Ayaan Kamran Miah Adams, aged 14 months, died at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital on February 20. The matter was adjourned to a date to be fixed to await reports.

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Rock of ages past given revamp worth £10,000

Visitors discuss the rock houses at the entrance to the restored cave

The bedroom area in a 1930s style

Joyce and John Glover, from Kinver

VISITORS can step back in time to the 1930s with the help of authentic period furniture and ornaments inside an 18th century rock house in Kinver.

The dwelling, burrowed into the sandstone hillside, has been restored to its former glory by the National Trust.

Martindales House at Kinver Edge also features whitewashed walls and a porch which has been designed using photos from the era.

National Trust spokeswoman Laura Broadhurst said they had chosen the 30s theme for the £10,000 project after asking visitors what they would prefer to see in the new house. "We asked whether they wanted a house from the earliest time, in the 1770s, from the Victorian era like the other houses or from a more recent time," she said.

"The vast majority of people wanted the 30s – I think a lot of them simply couldn't believe that people lived here as recently as that."

Ornaments

The house is now scattered with brands, ornaments and clothing from that period.

A fundraising drive has now been launched to raise another £20,000, which will be used to install original fireplaces and chimneys. Visitors Joyce and John Glover were among the first to explore the new houses.

"I'm very impressed I hope they manage to get the fireplaces in as that will really finish them off," said Mrs Glover, aged 74, of Cedar Gardens, Kinver.

Mr Glover, 76, added: "I used to come up here to have a cup of tea when I was younger. It's very nice."

The West Bromwich-born retired purchasing manager added: "We have watched it being done up over the past few months so we wanted to see it. I'm glad they had the time to do it so well."

£80 fine for possessing cannabis

A WORDSLEY man has been fined £80 for possessing herbal cannabis with a street value of about £10.

Jamie Power, aged 35, of Smallshire Way, was also ordered to pay £85 costs, the £34 bill for testing the drug and a £15 victim surcharge. He admitted possessing the drug at Wordsley on December 8.

Mrs Maxine Jarrousse-Jones, prosecuting, told Dudley magistrates that, as police went to speak to Power in Wordsley, they saw him push something up his sleeve, which turned out to be herbal cannabis. Mr Michael Davies, defending, said Power told police he thought it may not be genuine.

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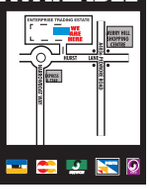

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The boating pool with the house and the bowling green, pictures in 1927

The Birmingham city coat of arms on the bandstand

Lightwoods Park shot in 1927 by Sydney Smith for the Smethwick Photographic Society

The bandstand in Lightwood Park pictured in 1927

Park gives Bearwood its breathing space

ONE of Sandwell's jewels, Lightwoods Park, is a much-loved green lung in heavily built up Bearwood.

MEMORY LANE

By Richard Slaughter

The name is thought to describe the lightly wooded nature of the land on which the house was built; ho hiding place for bears.

Lightwoods House is an elegant Grade 2 listed building, in a neo-classical style.

A brick set in the walls is inscribed "Jonathan Grundy, June 19th, 1780" and probably indicates the original date of construction.

The house passed through marriage from the Grundy family to the Willett family.

In 1858 it was leased it to soap manufacturer George Caleb Adkins, who bought it in 1865.

Bearwood nearly lost its finest building in 1902 when house and park came up for sale and seemed destined to be redeveloped for more streets of terraced housing.

Alexander Chance of Smethwick Glass Works established a committee which raised £13,000 for their purchase, and then handed them over to the City of Birmingham.

It was only in 2010 that ownership was transferred to Sandwell Council.

In 1915, a garden was laid out with plants named in the works of Shakespeare. It still survives.

The park bandstand is a beautiful example, with fine iron work. The boating pool and bowling green have gone, but are fondly remembered.

The house was used in turn as a library, a café, for recuperating soldiers and by the Sons of Rest.

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After their departure, the building was boarded up.

Today, the park has Green Flag status and benefits from an active friends group.

A skating rink was installed in Lightwoods Park last Christmas, and was so popular, it will return next December.

Further restoration of house and park is due to be funded by Sandwell Council, the Big Lottery Fund and the Heritage Lottery Fund.

George Caleb Adkins, one-time Lightwoods House owner

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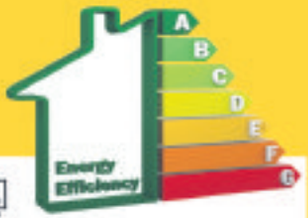

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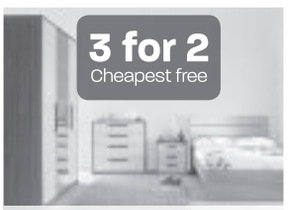

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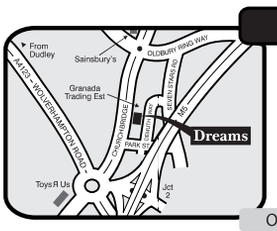

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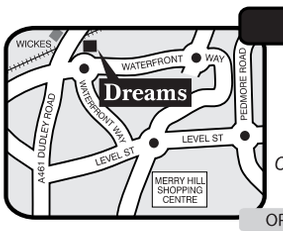

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Nothing exciting about city status

Thank you Mr Polychronakis for putting your point of view E&S, February in reply to my letter.

I do realise the bid for Dudley covers the whole of the borough.

Let me point out that cities have a central point or major town centre.

The city of Dudley would not have one unless it was the Merry Hill centre.

Let us look at his points which he states the towns it encapsulates Dudley, Stourbridge, Halesowen and Brierley Hill including Merry Hill.

I notice towns that he has left out, as Dudley always has, Coseley and Sedgley which includes the Gornals, as they always have done. What have they done for these areas?

Coseley, pulled down or planning to pull down parts of its history.

Sedgley, built one toilet which only the vandals knew where it is (was).

All in roads into Dudley centre look as though that they are still being rebuilt after the second world war.

What will the city have to offer for interest or entertainment, a cinema at Merry Hill, a cinema at castle gate, Black Country museum which is run by volunteers, the zoo and the castle (which actually belongs to Sedgley). It does have hotels, but there is nothing in the area to give anyone a reason to stay long enough to use the hotels.

I would love for something to make me positive about a city status, but I can't.

I would like Dudley council to put some information out that would make the majority of Dudley residents excited enough to back the bid, instead of empty promises.

NORMAN D CADDICK
Upper Ettingshall Road
Coseley

Amount of bins is absolute rubbish!

RUBBISH, what utter rubbish!

My father lives in Sandwell and is now a tenant with five plastic bins!

His immediate neighbours are all single occupants so five people now have 25 bins!

Collection day looked like a Swiss Clock. The cuckoo has to be the executive who has created this ridiculous strategy.

Now two collections are made and the community still looks like the armpit of the universe with streets and parks strewn with rubbish. Create jobs for the unemployed, clean streets and waste grounds, put the money into the real community. Packaging is the responsibility of the manufactures, send them the bins!

D GARRATT,
Coseley

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Letters should be brief and MUST include name, address and telephone number of the writer. The Editor reserves the right to condense letters.

Think first before commenting on rent

IN RESPONSE to Eddie Guy's "letter of the day" I feel this man should know all the facts before saying council tenants feel like "lottery winners" just because they have had some much-needed home improvements. Why does he think councils charge rent?

I am a council tenant and pay full rent and to get any repair or improvement done is extremely difficult. For example my front door is over 20 years old and warped allowing a nasty draught into our house.

I have been told it could be two years before it gets replaced. I have a large front window which is only single glazed and again even though the council inspector stated it is no longer fit for purpose it could be two years before it is replaced with double glazing. I work hard and pay £84 per week to the council just to keep a roof over my head. The amount of home improvements I have received back over 20 years is negligible. So Eddie before making ignorant generalising statements just think about things first.

LEE CHALLENGER
Woodsetton

Taking a stand on staying in your seat

CONCERNING the menace of mobile phone usage, in theatres during the performance.

I can put up with that to a certain extent, but what really annoys me is the "stand up culture", which normally starts half way through a performance.

If the folks in front stand up, you finish up looking at some one's backside.

The only way around this is to stand yourself, then the folks behind you are in the same situation I object to paying for a seat only to stand up.

Would it not be useful to rip all the seats out and just stand up, thus the theatre could charge half price for the performance, if those standing up get tired, there could seats were they could sit for a small fee.

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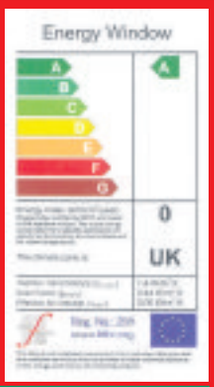

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Tickets are priced £5 and the concert will begin at 7.30pm.

Cash raised from the event will be split between charities.

Tickets are available from the Action Heart Centre or Georgina Unit at the hospital or the Georgina Unit Charity Shop.

Flames engulfed worker

TWO firms have been fined after a demolition worker was engulfed in flames when he cut through a live 11,000-volt cable at an electricity substation.

Gould Singleton Architects Ltd, based in Halesowen, and DSM Demolition Ltd, Birmingham, have been ordered to pay thousands of pounds by Worcester Crown Court.

They were prosecuted by the Health and Safety Executive following the incident which took place at an electricity substation in Worcester on July 14 2006.

The court heard DSM Demolition had been demolishing a metal casting foundry, in Wainwright Road, when 35-year-old employee Lee Harris was told to cut through a cable.

It was connected to a switching unit on a substation at the site which was still live.

Mr Harris was engulfed in flames and suffered 20 per cent burns. He has been left with permanent disabilities and required skin grafts.

Checked

The court was told Gould Singleton Architects had told DSM Demolition all services to the site had been terminated.

But DSM should have checked.

DSM Demolition Ltd, of Arden Road, Birmingham, was found guilty on September 26, 2011 of breaching Section 2(1) of the Health and Safety at Work etc Act.

The company was fined £40,000 and ordered to pay £100,000 costs by the court on Friday.

Gould Singleton Architects Ltd, of Whitehall Road, Halesowen, pleaded guilty to breaching Section 3(1) of the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 and Regulation 15(3)(e) of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 1994.

The company was fined £20,000 and ordered to pay £20,872 costs.

Speaking after the hearing, HSE inspector Tariq Khan said: "Neither of the two companies made adequate checks to ensure power supply to the cable had been terminated."

Charity offers support with mental health care

A STOURBRIDGE mental health charity is hoping to reach out to troubled people in the town by setting up a new support group.

Dudley Mind, which is based at the Mary Stevens Centre on Hagley Road, runs regular anxiety management groups and the latest will start tomorrow(Friday).

Sessions take place monthly and involve reviewing people's experiences, which are then discussed as a group.

The charity provides emotional, social and therapeutic support to individuals experiencing ill mental health.

Day services manager Nagheena Qamar said: "As they get to know one another, group members are often surprised to find just how similar their anxiety issues are." Members are encouraged to regularly attend sessions so as to help them familiarise with other people and surroundings, offering more support and encouragement.

One such member, Shabena Abbas, added: "It has helped me get out more and do activities socially and I hope to do more of that in the near future with the help of this wonderful group."

As well as anxiety groups, the charity runs several therapeutic day services at various locations across the Dudley borough.

These include wellbeing groups, exercise groups, creative activities such as art and music and healthy eating groups.

To be part of the group, which will meet from 1-3pm on the first Friday of each month at The Waterfront, near Merry Hill, call Nagheena on 01384 442938.

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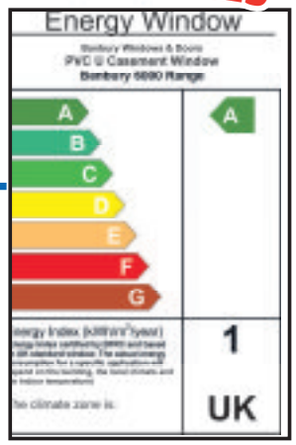

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1987 price bonanza

Rachel Parry displays some of the food offered at 1987 prices at the Spar shop in Worcester Road, Hagley, which is run by her parents, Allan and Valerie Lane

SHOPPERS in a village near Stourbridge could hardly believe their eyes when they some food items priced as they were in 1987.

Allan and Valerie Lane, decided to celebrate the 25th anniversary of their arrival at the Spar store in Worcester Road, Hagley, by slashing some basic goods to the prices they were on the day they opened.

The offer was on for two days and meant – a standard 800g loaf was going for just 59p, compared with the current price of £1.29; 52p for a kilo bag of sugar, rather than 99p; 27p for a 415g tin of Heinz beans (84p); a 230g block of Dairy Milk chocolate for £1.23 (£2.30); 80 Typhoo tea bags for £1.29 (£2.49); and a 250g pat of Anchor butter for 50p (£1.98).

Customer Wendy Coiley, aged 46, of Lyttelton Place, Hagley, said: "I was 22 when prices were last that low.

"I think it's great and wish we could go back to those prices all the time."

Mr and Mrs Lane, both aged 60, first lived in a flat above the store when they opened the Spar and three of their original staff – store manager David Sutton and store assistants Mary Morgan and Peggy Sutton – still work for them.

Extension plan for rail station studied

EXTENSIONS to Stourbridge Junction train station and three other over-subscribed Black Country train and metro stations are under evaluation, transport bosses say.

Centro, the region's tran-sport authority, is developing proposals for Coseley train station, Stourbridge Junction, Tamebridge Parkway train station and Wednesbury Parkway Midland Metro stop.

They are among seven across the West Midlands including Kings Norton, Four Oaks and Northfield train stations in Birmingham – which are being considered.

Spokesman Steve Swingler said two options would be chosen for each station and would be decided upon at a later date.

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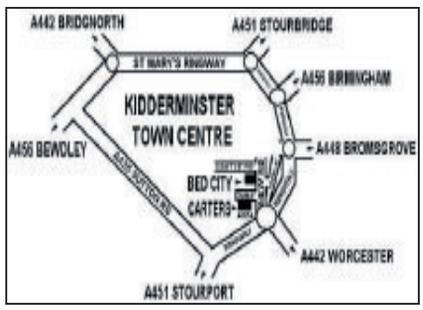

£1.5m centre for blood vessel work

A new £1.5million theatre suite is to open at Russells Hall Hospital.

The Dudley base will offer advanced surgery for patients who suffer potentially life-threatening bursts in blood vessels. The endovascular suite contains hi-tech equipment.

The suite will enable surgeons to better diagnose and treat conditions while providing 3D images of blood vessels.

It is part of a new specialist vascular centre which is being developed at the site to help Black Country patients across the whole region.

The hospital is also offering a new screening service designed to improve early detection and treatment of abdominal aortic aneurysms which affect the main blood vessel in the abdomen. Doctors say the new technology in the suite is also much safer for patients as it can help to diagnose bleeds that can occur from a wide range of causes such as ulcers, tumours and fibroids. It can also detect small leaks, which helps reduce complications still further.

The suite, which will be opened by Stourbridge MP Margot James on Friday, is also fully integrated with the hospital's radiology system.

This will allow doctors to import cross sectional images into the suite while they are operating on patients to give them a better understanding of a patient's condition.

Chief executive Paula Clark said: "The new EVAR suite is a massive help."

Getting ready to put on a fundraising show to raise money for Charlie Harris-Beard, aged 20 months, pictured with parents Fiona Harris and Joe Beard, local businesses clients and friends, at the Finishin' Touch salon

Charity night to help out Charlie

STAFF AT a salon are putting the finishing touches to a charity night honouring a youngster battling leukaemia.

Charlie Harris-Beard, aged 20 months, of Kidderminster, has now returned home from hospital following a lifesaving bone marrow transplant.

When workers at Finishin' Touch hair and beauty salon in Brindley Street, Stourport, heard of his plight they wanted to help. The salon has hosted charity events for the past two years for various causes.

Staff have now decided to support Charlie and his family by donating money raised to help with his treatment.

Cash will be shared with soldiers' charity Help for Heroes. A charity night will be held at Stourport Civic Centre, in New Street, on March 15.

Up-and-coming singers and dance acts are among those performing with doors opening at 6.30pm for a 7pm start.

One of the organisers and salon owner, Tina Button, said: "Everyone was touched when they heard about Charlie." Adult tickets cost £5 in advance and £7 on the door with children tickets £3 in advance and £5 on the door.

Call 01299 878 838 for details.

Shatter success

From left, Rebecca Davies, Daryl Gardner, Robin Davies, and Ricky Hill who are "Shatter Effect", at the Red House Glass Cone, Wordsley

A BAND, with a singer and guitarist from Kingswinford, which was formed online, is preparing to hit the road at venues nationwide.

Dance rock outfit Shatter Effect formed last April after meeting through an on-line music forum. The five-piece has already supported Brit winner Ed Sheeran. The group consists of singer Rebecca Davies, 28, guitarist Daryl Gardner, 22, both from Kingswinford, guitarist Robin Davies, 25, from Lower Gornal, bass Ed Johan Bol, 30, from Shifnal and drummer Ricky Hill, 28, from Wolverhampton.

Three churches are at threat of closure

THREE historic churches in Dudley town centre – including the landmark Bottom Church – will close within five years unless urgent action is taken, church leaders are warning.

The announcement comes after an investigation into the financial health of the churches.

The Church of St Edmund, or "Bottom Church", Castle Street, St James the Great in Eve Hill in and St John's, Kates Hill have all been on red alert for 12 months but have failed to make the necessary moves to stay open.

Leaders at the Diocese of Worcester today admitted continuing the three buildings into the future was "unviable".

The investigation into the finances of all seven of the churches in the Dudley town centre group, which it was claimed have been "living beyond their means" as they struggle with £1.12 million of urgent repairs and shrinking congregations.

Heritage buildings officer at the diocese, Andrew Mottram, said he previously had been reluctant to offer more than advice until now, but had been forced to provide a "clear steer".

"I cannot tell them they have to close down – that is for the congregation and church council to decide," he said.

"But what I have done is tell them the way they are running now is not sustainable."

In an open letter sent to all seven churches, Mr Mottram told leaders: "This matter cannot drag on for much longer," and recommended St Edmund's and St John's – which has been boarded up since 2002 over safety fears – should be put on notice of closure within two years.

St James'needs £515,000 of repair work.

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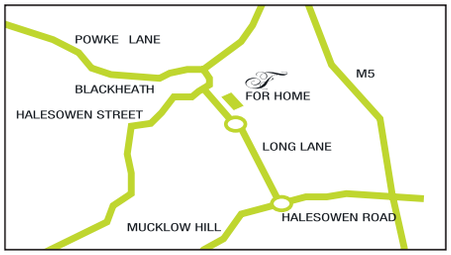

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Facebook angers bereaved mother

THE MOTHER of a Kingswinford teenager who died of a brain tumour has criticised Facebook after it locked her out of her dead daughter's page.

Becky Palmer died in 2010, at the age of 19.

Her mother Louise found comfort logging into her profile page and reading her old messages.

However, at the end of January, she discovered the login details had been changed and when she contacted Facebook. Mrs Palmer was told she could no longer log in as it invaded Becky's privacy and that the profile had been "memorialized".

Friends and family have set up Campaign To Reinstate Becky Palmer's Facebook Pagegroup on Facebook itself and this has attracted 1,500 members since it has been set up.

Speech

Mrs Palmer, of Ragees Road, said she first started using the site back in August 2010, just months before her daughter's death.

She said: "After her third operation she lost her speech and she couldn't read or write more than a few words and she didn't know her login details.

"She was quite distraught over it because Facebook was a big part of her life."

Mrs Palmer, 47, used to read messages to her daughter and after her death she continued to log in to read through her old messages. "Facebook is like a modern day diary," she said.

Facebook said when a user dies accounts are memorialized to protect privacy.

Company hopes to scoot into record books at 100mph

IT WOULD normally travel at a more sedate pace to help those less able pop to the post office.

But soon this mobility scooter could be hitting speeds of 100mph on a world record breaking challenge with the help of a Stourbridge firm.

The attempt at the Guinness World Record is the brainchild of business partners Adrian Pearce and Gary Bate.

They have stripped their machine's gentle 24-volt battery – and replaced it with a 250cc motorbike-style engine fitted with a gearbox. It's not the first time someone has come up with the idea of making a mobility scooter more exciting.

On last week's Top Gear, presenter Jeremy Clarkson attempted to make a scooter into a cross country machine, complete with eight wheels and four-wheel drive. James May added a generic electronic tablet and coffee dispenser to his machine, while Richard Hammond added tank tracks and lots of noise.

They then challenged a team of injured soldiers to a race to the top of a hill and promptly failed dismally.

But Adrian and Gary say they are deadly serious.

They established mobility equipment retail and supply firm Keep Able-bodied, in Lye, near Stourbridge, last November. And now they are looking for sponsors to help with their attempt, which will help raise money for the NSPCC.

"It is a really exciting project and we want this record really badly," Adrian said.

The idea started when Adrian was given the Guinness World Record book as a Christmas present and his fascination grew from there.

The world speed record for a modified mobility scooter is just over 71mph set in the UK by Colin Furze.

Staff at Keep Able-bodied, based in Dudley Road, think the record is achievable and believe a target near to 100mph is within their sights.

Record-attempting Adrian Pearce and his adapted scooter, which has been fitted with a motorbike engine

Eight wheels for Jeremy

Richard Hammond gears up

Choir will mark 100th by singing for charity

A MALE voice choir will celebrate its centenary with a charity concert in aid of a Stourbridge hospice.

Members of Cradley Heath Male Voice Choir will raise the roof at Brierley Hill Civic Hall, in Bank Street, on April 21.

Money raised will be donated to Mary Stevens Hospice. The concert also features the Warley Male Voice Choir, The Crown Phoenix Big Band and guest soloists, Lynn Fox, Ian Fox and Julie Knight.

The Cradley Heath, Old Hill and District Male Voice Choir, as it was originally known, was founded on February 12, 1912.

It has around 40 members, and 14 years ago Philippa Brettell became the first ever female musical director. She was joined by Cynthia Partridge, her former piano teacher, as the choir's accompanist.

The concert starts at 7pm with tickets costing £8 on 01384 393067.

Hospice head of fundraising Janet Jones said: "This is an incredible achievement for the choir to have been in existence for 100 years."

Men injured in crash

TWO MEN were left seriously injured after the car they were travelling in hit a tree in Halesowen.

The Citroen Saxo was carrying four passengers who were all taken to hospital – two with serious injuries.

Part of a Lutley Lane was closed for around nine hours after the smash near the junction with Portsdown Road at 3am yesterday.

Fire crews used cutting equipment to help get the injured people out of the car.

Two men, aged 22 and 21, suffered serious back and neck injuries. They remain in hospital today in a stable condition.

A 22-year-old man and a 21-year-old woman suffered minor injuries in the crash.

The 21-year-old driver was arrested at the scene on suspicion of drink-driving and dangerous driving. He was later released on police bail pending enquiries.

Sgt Chris Jones said: "Two people remain in hospital in a stable condition after this collision."

Police are appealing for witnesses to the crash.

Advertising to help raise hospice cash

A BUSINESSMAN is helping a Stourbridge hospice with donations from advertising revenue.

Antony Provan, owner of Digiscreens, will be supporting Mary Stevens Hospice, based in Hagley Road.

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WORDSLEY 'M' TOWNSWOMEN

THE February meeting was opened by chairman Barbara Gregory with minutes of the previous meeting prepared by secretary Liz Moseley.

Treasurer Josie Bunn gave a detailed view of last month's accounts, while Liz read out the results of the 'payments by cheque' petition from HQ. The overwhelming outcome was that the use of cheques was still a prime form of payment.

Ann Birchill reminded members of the arts and crafts exhibition at the Water Hall gallery, Birmingham on June 28 and 29 at the same time as the Federation AGM on June 29.

The inter-guild quiz has been brought forward from October to April 30. Tea, cakes and humorous poetry is arranged for May 30 at Wollaston church hall.

The first coffee morning of the spring will be on March 14 at the home of Pat Caddick.

The patchwork quilt on display that Barbara made will be raffled off at the March AGM and there will be a special cake to mark the 10th anniversary of the guild.

The April 16 meeting, starting at 10am, will be an 'open house' where visitors from Wordsley area can come along and see what their local guild has to offer. It will feature humorous and enlightening entertainment by Richard Westcott.

Ladies take Pepys at Samuel's diary

The diaries of Kenneth Williams and Samuel Pepys were the guest speaker's topic

BLACKHEATH 'M' TOWNSWOMEN

THE meeting was opened by chairman Doreen Armstrong who welcomed 42 members and eight visitors. She then welcomed our speaker for the day, Mr David Hickman.

After the business reports, Doreen announced a scrabble club would be held on the third Monday of every month at the new Blackheath library. Members wishing to join should contact the organiser Doreen Smith.

Ttreasurer Beryl Hartley read out the balance for the end of the year and said all necessary papers were with the auditor and a balance sheet would be presented at the AGM on March 28 at Moose Hall, from 10.30am. The speaker was introduced and his topic was 'diaries I've enjoyed'. Members also enjoyed the diaries as David read to extracts from the journals of several well known diarists.

They were quite surprised to learn that Mr Samuel Pepys, secretary of the Admiralty, was a rather naughty man with the ladies and didn't mind telling everyone about it, in detail, in his journals. It was in great contrast to the writings of actor, Mr Kenneth Williams, who told of his rather sad and lonely life.

Jubilee tea party planned

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MINUTES of the previous meeting were duly read, approved and signed and one visitor was welcomed.

Warning was given of a sponsored walk in aid of The Princess Royal Trust for Carers. This will be in September, when all guilds in the country hope to amass a cumulative total of 874 miles – the distance from Lands End to John O'Groats. Federation notices include visit to Wollerton Hall Gardens and a Jubilee tea party, with poetry readings. Bookings are also being taken for arts and craft workshop later in the year.

There will be a meeting of the Scrabble group on March 8. The next Luncheon Club meeting will be at The British Oak.

Names were requested for the quiz in April. John Pickwood spoke of the chainmakers' strike in Cradley Heath, and the actions of Mary MacArthur, a worker's rights activist. He was thanked by Sue Cotterell. Raffles were won by Joyce Major, Mavis James, Chris Grove and Sheila Watts.

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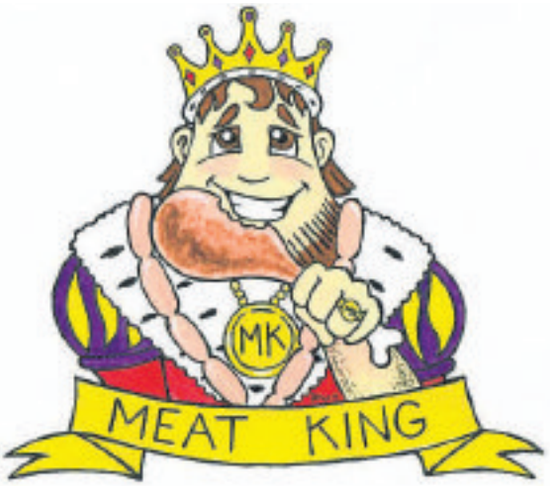

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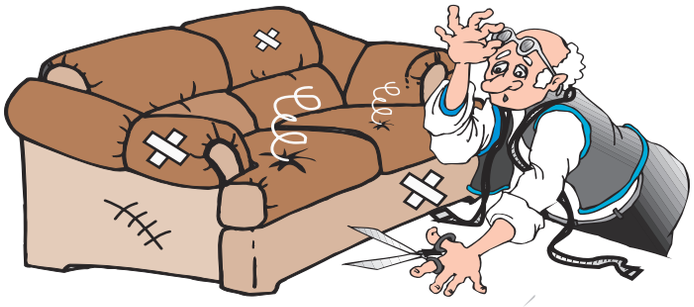

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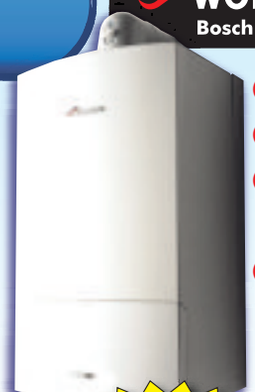

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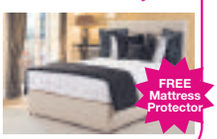

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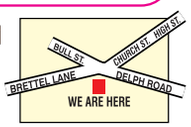

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Undergrowth has also been cleared along the Dudley No 2 Canal, which runs from Blowers Green to Gosty Tunnel, exposing more of the special geological features, once used as a teaching resource by Birmingham University.

Improvements have also been made to 10 access points along the canal as well as the installation of a new one to make it easier for people to walk along the towpath.

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The creations, costing £35,000, were created by Luke, 27, who owns Industrial Heritage Stronghold in Cradley Heath.

The £500,000 grant from the National Lottery also means the Bumblehole Nature Reserve, in Netherton, and Saltwells Nature Reserve are more accessible.

Chairman of Dudley Canal Trust, Vic Smallshire said the project had been a success.

Bosses at Dudley Canal Trust are also hoping to build a new canalside visitor centre which could be open by 2013.

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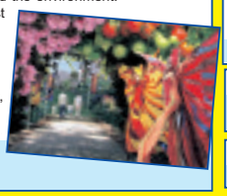

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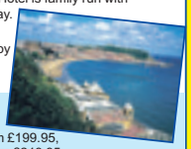

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Silence held as tributes are paid to councillor

TRIBUTES were paid and a minute's silence was held at a meeting of Dudley Council in memory of a respected councillor, who died following an eight-year battle with cancer.

By Heather Large

Margaret Cowell, aged 72, had represented Wollaston and Stourbridge Town since 2003. She died at Himley Mill nursing home in Himley with her daughter Jackie, and sons Adrian and Phil at her bedside.

At last night's meeting of the full council, her colleagues said they felt "privileged" to have worked alongside Mrs Cowell.

Dudley's mayor Councillor Michael Evans said: "She was widely respected by everyone who knew her and will be greatly missed."

Labour councillor David Sparks said she had "personified the qualities of a good local councillor".

Councillor Lesley Faulkner paid tribute to Mrs Cowell's "courage during her illness".

Fellow ward councilor Malcolm Knowles said: "It has been a real privilege to work alongside Margaret Cowell." Conservative councillor Mrs Cowell, who was also a stepmother of two and grandmother of three, was diagnosed with breast cancer soon after winning her seat in 2003.

Despite undergoing radiotherapy and surgery, she carried on working as a councillor and won two more elections.

She discovered, just over a year ago, that the disease had spread to her brain but she battled through to victory in May – when daughter Jackie, a Labour campaigner, won her first council seat, Quarry Bank and Dudley Wood.

Councillor Cowell, of Park Road West, Wollaston, who died on February 13, was born in Kingswinford and used to be an administrator for West Midlands Travel.

Dickens of a visit

Classic story – Gerald Dickens during his performance at Netherton Arts Centre

VICTORIAN England was brought back to life for hundreds of schoolchildren in Dudley who were given a special talk on the life of Charles Dickens by his great-great-grandson.

Gerald Dickens presented a show to more than 280 children at Netherton Arts Centre. Mr Dickens, aged 48, from Oxford, also performed an edited version of Dickens's classic Nicholas Nickleby.

He has worked as an actor director and producer and travels the country performing live versions of the author's work based on his great-great-grandfather's own live readings in the 1860s. Mr Dickens, who admits to hating the stories as a schoolboy, said: "The show is very much about his life and how he started."

This year is the 200th anniversary of Charles Dickens' birth.

Inquest on car worker

AN INQUEST has been opened and adjourned on a retired car worker from Stourbridge. Barry Raybould, aged 63, of Lawnswood Road, died at Dudley Russell's Hall Hospital on February 24.

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Jailed brothel owner's properties to be seized

THE OWNER of a lucrative brothel currently in jail for refusing to hand over £2 million of his ill-gotten gains will now have three properties seized to settle the bill.

The move comes after a judge appointed a receiver to sell the properties and recover as much of the missing cash as possible. Carl Pritchett, 59, formerly of Holbeache Road, Wall Heath, was locked up for two years in 2006 for running Cuddles Massage Parlour in Bearwood.

That followed a raid on the brothel in Hagley Road in 2005 when police found 19 foreign women employed as sex workers.

The business had an average of 490 clients a week and made £3.5m profit in six years, a previous court case was told. Prostitutes would pay £20 for each customer and £10 for every return visit.

Repay

Pritchett, from The Parade, Dudley, was locked up for a further seven years in 2009 after failing to stump up the £2m he pocketed from the racket. He had been ordered to repay the sum within six months through Proceeds of Crime Act legislation.

Prosecutor Mr John Butterfield told Wolverhampton Crown Court yesterday that restraining orders had been put on a property in The Parade, the former Cuddles site in Hagley Road and a site in Lower High Street, Walsall, owned by Pritchett.

Judge Martin Walsh ruled proceeds should go towards the confiscation order.

Mr Anthony Johnson, representing Pritchett, did not not oppose the latest development in the saga but Mr Butterfield said: "No-one is fooling themselves that this is the last word in this story."

Matthew jumps to it

Gymnast Matthew Hennessey showing off some moves with Noah Williams, aged 10, and 11-year-olds Eddie Smith, Harry Bayliss, Charley Houlston and Ellisia Ironmonger

A GYMNAST leaped into action to show children at a Kinver school what they could achieve.

Matthew Hennessey, who is in Britain's top 12 for "men's artistic gymnastics", visited Brindley Heath Junior School as part of the national Sport for Schools programme. The Welsh gymnast, who has won more than 100 gold medals, demonstrated his skills by performing back flips and walking on his hands. He also got the youngsters to each focus on four moves including star jumps and press-ups.

Organiser Ruth Jones said: "The children have had a great time and they have been amazed."

Support for theatre

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ITV1,9pm

Wossy has gone up against his fair share of Hollywood A-listers in his time, but will he have what it takes to hold his own against Jack Bauer himself, Kiefer Sutherland? The former 24 star is dropping in to discuss his new venture, the Sky1 series Touch, in which he plays a single father in New York whose mute son is trying to communicate through mysterious numbers and codes. Also dropping in for a chat is Mamma Mia! actress Amanda Seyfried, who no doubt will find time to talk about her new film, the thriller Gone, which is released later in the month. Singer-songwriter Paul Weller provides the music.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.35** Rachel Allen: Home Cooking. (R) **12.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **12.15** Football Focus. **1.00** Swimming. **2.00** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. Wales v Italy (Kick-off 2.30pm). **4.30** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. Ireland v Scotland (Kick-off 5.00pm).

6.55 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
7.10 Let's Dance for Sport Relief. With Rowland Rivron, Fatima Whitbread, and Suzi Perry and Ortis Deley. Music is provided by Will Young and LMFAO.
8.30 The National Lottery: In It to Win It. New series. Dale Winton hosts the quiz show in which five contestants answer questions to scoop a big prize. John Partridge presents the Lotto and Thunderball draws.
9.20 Casualty. Part two of three. Anton becomes increasi ngly paranoid that Stevie will talk to the police, and resorts to extreme measures to ensure his silence.
10.10 BBC News; Weather.
10.30 Match of the Day. Including highlights of Bolton Wanderers v Queens Park Rangers; National Lottery Update.
11.40 The Football League Show. Highlights and all the goals from today's fixtures in the Championship, League One and League Two, including Brighton & Hove Albion v Portsmouth.

12.55 Weatherview. **1.00** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **12.00** The Sky at Night. (R) **12.40** Film: In Search of the Castaways. (1962) Children's adventure, starring Hayley Mills. **2.15** Film: The War Bride. (2001) Wartime drama, starring Anna Friel. **4.00** Escape to the Country. (R) **4.30** Final Score. **5.30** Flog It!

6.30 Dad's Army. An enemy aircraft ditches close to the town. (R)
7.00 The Story of Light Entertainment. How stars of radio made the transition to TV, taking with them new entertainment formats and shows like Little Britain and Hancock's Half-Hour. (R)
8.00 The Story of Musicals. Popular culture's influence on British musical theatre since the 1990s, from Jason Donovan's West End debut as Joseph to 'jukebox musicals' such as Mamma Mia! Last in the series.
9.00 I'm a Pop Star! Life as a solo singer, with contributions by Kylie Minogue and Will Young. Last in the series.
10.00 TOTP2: Pop Stars. Performances by Cliff Richard, Madonna, Justin Bieber and Rihanna.
11.00 The Sarah Millican Television Programme. The comedienne presents TV-based stand-up and chat. (R)
11.30 FILM: The Stepford Wives. (2004) Black comedy remake, starring Nicole Kidman.

1.00 Film: Spider. (2002) Thriller, with Ralph Fiennes. **2.35** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **11.20** This Morning: Saturday. **12.30** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.40** Film: Innerspace. (1987) Sci-fi comedy, starring Dennis Quaid. **3.55** Film: Evan Almighty. (2007) Comedy sequel, starring Steve Carell. **5.35** Regional News; Weather. **5.45** ITV News; Weather.

6.00 All Star Family Fortunes. Wild at Heart's Dawn Steele (Alice Trevanion) and Dancing on Ice judge Robin Cousins team up with their relatives in a bid to win a large cash prize for charity. Vernon Kay hosts.
7.00 All New You've Been Framed! Harry Hill narrates camcorder calamities.
7.30 Harry Hill's TV Burp. Comic review of the week's small-screen highlights.
8.00 Take Me Out. An athlete, a farmer and a rock musician try to impress 30 single women, and last week's couples go on their dates.
9.00 The Jonathan Ross Show. With Kiefer Sutherland, Amanda Seyfried and Paul Weller.
10.00 ITV News; Weather.
10.15 FILM: The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift. (2006) Motor-racing adventure, starring Lucas Black.

12.05 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** In Plain Sight. **3.45** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

6.05 Sali Mali. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Grid. **7.00** Live Athletics. The World Indoor Championships. **8.00** The Morning Line. **9.00** Live Athletics. The World Indoor Championships. **10.30** T4: New Girl. (R) **11.00** T4: Charlie's Angels. **11.55** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.25** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **12.50** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **1.25** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **1.55** Channel 4 Racing. **4.05** Channel 4 News. **4.25** 4thought.tv. **4.30** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.00** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.35** Come Dine with Me. (R)

6.00 Come Dine with Me. Aly Nicholson hosts the penultimate dinner party in Peterborough. (R)
6.35 Come Dine with Me. Ricky Dent throws the final party in Peterborough. (R)
7.05 Come Date with Me. Four bachelors compete for the affections of 26-year-old Elle Bretagne.
8.00 Big Fat Gypsy Weddings. Travellers who have found romance outside their own community. (R)
9.00 The Bank Job. George Lamb invites the most successful contestants back to the London bank vault for a chance to win even more money.
10.30 FILM: Orphan. (2009) Horror, starring Vera Farmiga.

12.45 The Secret Policeman's Ball 2012. (R) **2.40** Lucky Escape. (R) **2.45** Film: You, The Living. (2007) Comedy drama, starring Jessika Lundberg. **4.20** Reaper. (R) **5.00** 90210. (R) **5.40** Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Animal Rescue Squad. (R) **10.20** Police Interceptors. (R) **11.20** Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers. (R) **12.25** Film: Madron. (1970) Western, starring Richard Boone. **2.15** Film: Blood Alley. (1955) Action adventure, starring John Wayne. **4.30** Film: The Green Berets. (1968) Vietnam War adventure, starring John Wayne.

7.15 5 News Weekend.
7.20 NCIS. The family of a child who finds a gun suspected of being a murder weapon at a naval base comes under suspicion, leaving the team to discover who used it last. (R)
8.15 NCIS. The team investigates the deaths of a radio DJ and naval officer. (R)
9.15 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. One of Langston's former students is found dead, raising the suspicion that her thesis – investigating the murders of three women 11 years previously – could have made her a target. (R)
10.10 CSI: NY. A party ends in tragedy when the hostess is killed in what appears to be an accident, and Danville takes on the case of a serial rapist who previously eluded her.
11.10 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. A teenager is found burned to death.

12.05 SuperCasino. **4.00** Nick's Quest. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

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ITV2
2.05 American Idol **4.50** Film: Batteries Not Included (1987) **7.00** Film: Richie Rich. (1994) Family comedy, starring Macaulay Culkin. **9.00** Take Me Out – The Gossip **9.45** Celebrity Juice **10.30** Film: Daylight. (1996) Disaster movie, starring Sylvester Stallone.

ITV3
2.45 A Touch of Frost **5.00** Life with Judy Garland: Me and My Shadows **6.55** Rosemary & Thyme **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Lewis **11.00** Those Who Kill

ITV4
1.25 Film: Thunderball (1965) **4.05** Film: Kelly's Heroes (1970) **7.00** The Sweeney **8.00** Minder **9.00** Film: Assassins (1995) Thriller, starring Sylvester Stallone and Antonio Banderas. **11.40** Film: The Black Windmill. (1974) Spy thriller, starring Michael Caine.

BBC THREE
7.00 Doctor Who **8.35** Top Gear **9.35** Live at the Apollo **10.10** Film: Deep Impact (1998)

BBC FOUR
7.00 The Golden Age of Canals **8.00** Sicily Unpacked **9.00** Inspector Montalbano **10.55** Top of the Pops: The Story of 1977 **11.55** Horizon: To Infinity and Beyond

E4
1.35 Hollyoaks **4.10** Perfect Couples **4.40** Scrubs **5.35** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** How I Met Your Mother **7.30** Rules of Engagement **8.30** Happy Endings **9.00** Film: The Wedding Date (2005) **10.45** The Big Bang Theory **11.40** The Cleveland Show

FILM4
2.55 Swiss Family Robinson (1960) **5.25** Freaky Friday (1976) **7.20** Dumb and Dumberer: When Harry Met Lloyd. (2003) Comedy prequel, starring Eric Christian Olsen and Derek Richardson. **9.00** (500) Days of Summer. (2009) Romantic comedy, starring Joseph Gordon-Levitt and Zooey Deschanel. **10.50** Carriers (2009)

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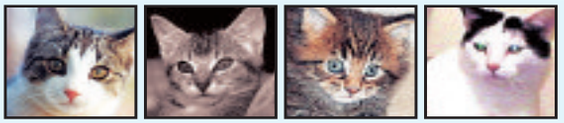

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BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **7.45** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** The Big Questions. From Manor CE School in York. **11.00** Sunday Politics; Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.05** Match of the Day Live. Middlesbrough v Leeds United (Kick-off 12.15pm). **2.30** Live Six Nations Rugby Union. France v England (Kick-off 3.00pm). **5.10** Songs of Praise. **5.45** Land Girls. (R)

6.35 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
7.00 Countryfile. Matt Baker and Julia Bradbury explore north Kent, John Craven investigates the impact staple foods have on the environment and Adam Henson prepares his farm for spring.
8.00 Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce and the team visit the Weald & Downland Open Air Museum in Chichester.
9.00 Upstairs Downstairs. Spargo signs up for a boxing tournament to impress Beryl.
10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.
10.25 Room 101 — Extra Storage. With John Prescott, Rebecca Front and Micky Flanagan. Last in the series.
11.05 Would I Lie to You? With Ronnie Corbett, Sarah Millican, Holly Walsh and Julian Clary. (R)
11.35 The Celebrity Apprentice USA. The two finalists throw a VIP party. Last in the series.

1.40 Weatherview. **1.45** Sign Zone: Film 2012 with Claudia Winkleman. (R) **2.25** Holby City. (R) **3.25** The Last Explorers. (R) **4.25** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **10.05** Flog It! **11.05** Escape to the Country. (R) **12.05** EastEnders. **2.00** Film: The Mosquito Coast. (1986) Drama, starring Harrison Ford. **3.50** Film: First Knight. (1995) Arthurian adventure, starring Sean Connery.

6.00 I'm a Pop Star! Life as a solo singer, with contributions by Kylie Minogue and Will Young. Last in the series. (R)
7.00 World's Most Dangerous Roads. Ben Fogle and Hugh Dennis undertake a perilous journey through the Peruvian Andes, driving along dirt roads and remote mountain trails. Last in the series. (R)
8.00 Top Gear. Jeremy Clarkson, Richard Hammond and James May try to go motor racing for less than it costs to play golf. With rock star Slash and F1 driver Kimi Raikkonen. Last in the series.
9.00 Orbit: Earth's Extraordinary Journey. From January to the March equinox.
10.00 Match of the Day 2. Including highlights of Manchester United v West Bromwich Albion.
11.10 Rugby Union: Six Nations Highlights. Action from the penultimate weekend of the championship.
11.55 FILM: A Boy Called Dad. (2009) Premiere. Drama, starring Ian Hart and Kyle Ward.

1.15 Film: The Wackness. (2008) Comedy drama, starring Ben Kingsley. **2.50** BBC News. **4.25** Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. **7.25** CITV. **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** Ade in Britain. (R) **10.30** May the Best House Win. (R) **11.30** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **12.30** ITV News; Weather. **12.40** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **1.45** Film: Columbo Goes to College. (1991) Detective drama, starring Peter Falk. **3.40** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.40** Regional News ; Weather.**5.55** ITV News; Weather.

6.10 You've Been Framed! (R)
6.40 Harry Hill's TV Burp. Comic review of the week's small-screen highlights. (R)
7.15 Dancing on Ice. The five remaining celebrities incorporate props into their routines as they battle for places in next week's semi-final.
8.30 Wild at Heart. Strange things are happening at Leopard's Den as Danny prepares to leave for the UK. Du Plessis makes an alarming discovery about Ed and Fiona. Last in the series.
9.30 Dancing on Ice: The Skate Off. The two lowest-scoring couples compete.
10.05 ITV News; Weather.
10.20 Whitechapel. Part two of two. Miles and Chandler struggle to put aside their differences. Last in the series. (R)
11.15 Anglo-Welsh Cup Rugby Union. Highlights of the semi-finals of the cup competition.

12.10 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.40** River Monsters. (R) **3.30** ITV Nightscreen. **5.35** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

6.25 The Hoobs. (R) **6.50** The Hoobs. (R) **7.20** That Paralympic Show. (R) **7.45** Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. (R) **8.10** T4: The Crush. **8.45** T4: Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.20** T4: Frasier. (R) **9.55** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **10.25** T4: The Big Bang Theory. (R) **10.55** T4: The Simpsons. (R) **11.30** T4: Channel 4 Presents — 2012: David Clarke — Part Two. (R) **11.35** Live Athletics. The World Indoor Championships. **4.00** The Simpsons. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. **5.30** Come Dine with Me.

6.30 Channel 4 News.
7.00 4thought.tv.
7.05 Home of the Future. The Pereras try out a selection of health-related gadgets. Last in the series.
8.00 Searching for Shakespeare's House: A Time Team Special. Tony Robinson and the team dig at the site of New Place, the home of William Shakespeare in Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire, to reveal how large the Bard's house actually was.
9.00 Homeland. Brody's increasingly erratic behaviour threatens his status as a national hero, and Carrie searches for evidence linking him to Abu Nazir.
10.00 FILM: The Final Destination. (2009) Premiere. Horror sequel, starring Bobby Campo.
11.40 FILM: Wolf. (1994) Romantic horror, with Jack Nicholson and Michelle Pfeiffer.

2.00 The Big Bang Theory. (R) **3.20** Hollyoaks. (R) **5.30** 90210. (R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) **6.25** City of Friends. (R) **6.35** Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) **6.50** Castle Farm. (R) **6.55** Igam Ogam. (R) **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.15** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Family! (R) **7.35** Make Way for Noddy. (R) **7.45** Mio Mao. (R) **7.50** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **8.00** Little Princess. (R) **8.15** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.30** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** The Mr Men Show. (R) **9.25** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.40** Mist: Sheepdog Tales. (R) **10.00** Grey's Anatomy. (R) **10.55** Stansted: The Inside Story. (R) **11.55** Cowboy Builders. (R) **12.55** Film: Sabrina the Teenage Witch. (1996) Supernatural comedy, starring Melissa Joan Hart. **2.45** Film: Cheaper By the Dozen. (2003) Family comedy remake, starring Steve Martin. **4.35** Film: Are We There Yet? (2005) Family comedy, starring Ice Cube.

6.20 FILM: Men in Black II. (2002) Sci-fi comedy sequel, starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones.
8.00 Big Body Squad. (R)
8.55 5 News.
9.00 FILM: Layer Cake. (2004) Crime thriller, starring Daniel Craig.
11.10 FILM: The Boys from Brazil. (1978) Thriller, starring Laurence Olivier.

1.35 SuperCasino. **3.55** Europa League Football. **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Helpline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

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ITV2
3.30 The Cube **4.30** All Star Family Fortunes **5.15** Film: The Scorpion King (2002) **7.10** Film: Kangaroo Jack. (2003) Comedy, starring Jerry O'Connell and Anthony Anderson. **9.00** Benidorm **10.00** Film: Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels. (1998) Comedy crime thriller, starring Nick Moran.

ITV3
3.50 Film: Carry On Cowboy (1966) **5.50** Agatha Christie's Poirot **9.00** Foyle's War. A pro-Hitler organisation is investigated. **11.00** Cracker

ITV4
3.20 Film: The Rawhide Years (1956) **5.10** Film: Rio Bravo (1959) **8.00** Anglo-Welsh Cup Rugby Union **9.00** Film: The Black Windmill. (1974) Spy thriller, starring Michael Caine. **11.15** Film: Death Wish V: The Face of Death. (1994) Thriller sequel, starring Charles Bronson.

BBC THREE
7.00 Let's Dance for Sport Relief **8.00** The Secrets of Everything **9.00** Being Human **10.00** Pramface **10.30** Family Guy **11.15** American Dad!

BBC FOUR
7.00 Songwriters' Circle: American Folk **8.00** She Wolves: England's Early Queens **9.00** Film: Frost/Nixon. (2008) Fact-based drama, starring Frank Langella and Michael Sheen. **10.55** Film: BirdWatchers. (2008) Premiere. Brazilian drama, starring Abrisio da Silva Pedro.

E4
4.20 Samantha Who? **4.50** Being Erica **5.50** 90210 **6.45** Film: Night at the Museum (2006) **9.00** Desperate Housewives **11.00** Skins

FILM4
2.55 The Parent Trap (1961) **5.30** Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (2009) **7.20** Zoolander (2001) **9.00** Kiss the Girls (1997) **11.15** Equilibrium (2002)

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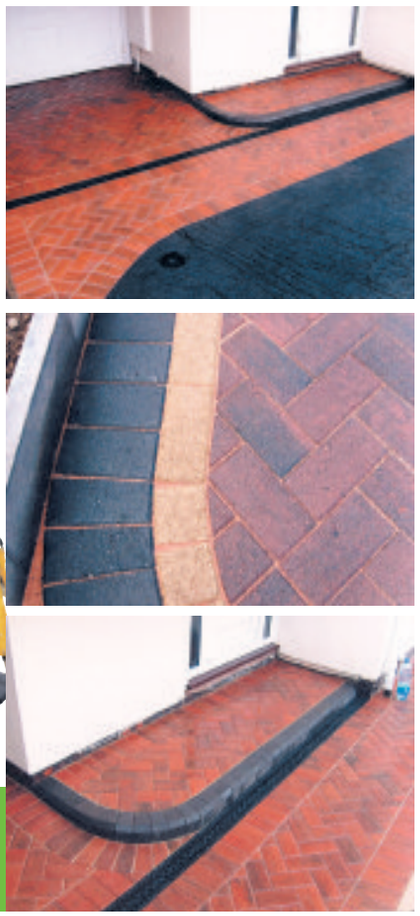

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Monday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Crime and Punishment. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. **11.45** Cash in the Attic; (R) BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Missing. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** Bang Goes the Theory; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** EastEnders. **8.30** Murdoch's TV Pirates – Panorama. **9.00** Empire. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** A Question of Sport. **11.05** Late Kick Off. **11.35** The Graham Norton Show. (R) **12.20** Weatherview. **12.25** Sign Zone: Racing with the Hamiltons: Nic in the Driving Seat. (R) **1.20** Accused. (R) **2.20** Great British Food Revival. (R) **3.20** Antiques Road Trip. (R) **4.05** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** My Life in Books. (R) **1.30** Living Dangerously. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. **3.00** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.45** Flog It! (R) **4.30** Breakaway. **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Britain's First Photo Album. **7.00** Top Gear. (R) **8.00** University Challenge. **8.30** Home Cooking Made Easy. (R) **9.00** The Tube. **10.00** Watson & Oliver. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** This World: Interviews Before Execution – A Chinese Talk Show. **12.20** BBC News. **3.15** The Super League Show. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** The Chase. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Coronation Street. **8.00** The Dales. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Scott & Bailey. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** The Agenda. **11.05** Mayday Mayday. (R) **11.35** Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Ulrika Jonsson. (R) **12.30** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.30** Champions League Weekly. **2.55** ITV Nightscreen. **4.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. **7.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **8.25** Frasier. (R) **9.00** Undercover Boss USA. (R) **9.55** Phil Spencer: Secret Agent. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard. **12.35** Channel 4 Presents – 2012: Ellie Simmonds – Part Two. How the Paralympic swimming gold medallist copes with pressure. (R) **12.40** River Cottage Veg. (R) **1.00** Film: Bataan. (1943) Fact-based Second World War drama, starring Robert Taylor. **3.10** Countdown. **4.00** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.30** Four in a Bed. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** China: Triumph and Turmoil. **9.00** Embarrassing Bodies. **10.00** My Phone Sex Secrets. **11.05** Homeland. (R) **12.10** Random Acts. **12.15** Shameless. (R) **1.10** Out on a Limo. (R) **2.10** Laid Off. (R) **2.20** Home of the Future. (R) **3.15** This Is Me. (R) **3.20** Birth of Britain. (R) **4.15** Genius of Britain. (R) **5.10** Countdown. (R) **5.55** Sali Mali. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** LIVE with Gabby. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Emergency Bikers. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** The Mentalist. (R) **3.15** Film: The Accidental Witness. (2006) Premiere. Thriller, starring Natasha Gregson Wagner and Currie Graham. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Stansted: The Inside Story; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Ultimate Police Interceptors; 5 News at 9. **9.00** Film: Revolver. (2005) Drama, with Jason Statham. **11.25** Film: Gridiron Gang. (2006) Fact-based sports drama, with Dwayne Johnson. **1.45** SuperCasino. **3.55** House Doctor. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** Michaela's Wild Challenge. (R)

Tuesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Crime and Punishment. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. **11.45** Cash in the Attic; (R) BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Missing. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Holby City. **9.00** MasterChef: The Final Three. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather.; National Lottery Update. **10.35** Letting Go. **11.20** Who Do You Think You Are? US. (R) **12.05** Film: It Runs in the Family. (2003) Drama, starring Kirk and Michael Douglas. **1.50** Weatherview. **1.55** Sign Zone: Exile. (R) **2.55** The Last Explorers. (R) **3.55** Great British Food Revival. (R) **4.55** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** My Life in Books. (R) **1.30** Living Dangerously. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. **3.00** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.45** Flog It! (R) **4.30** Breakaway. **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Britain's First Photo Album. **7.00** Rugged Wales. **8.00** The Hairy Bikers' Bakeation. **9.00** Horizon. **10.00** Never Mind the Buzzcocks. (R) **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Rubicon. **12.05** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** The Chase. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Countrywise Kitchen. **8.00** Homes from Hell. (R) **9.00** The Biggest Loser. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Benidorm. (R) **11.35** Ladette to Lady: Australia. (R) **12.30** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** Crossing Jordan. (R) **3.45** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.00** The Treacle People. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. **7.55** Festival Morning Line. **8.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.25** Frasier. (R) **9.55** Phil Spencer: Secret Agent. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard. **12.30** Cheltenham Festival. Live coverage of the opening day of the prestigious event. **4.15** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.30** Four in a Bed. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** Supersize vs Superskinny. **9.00** Big Fat Gypsy Weddings. **10.00** Shameless. **11.05** Random Acts. **11.10** Desperate Housewives. **12.10** Cheltenham Festival Highlights. **12.40** Poker. **1.35** Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. **2.00** KOTV Boxing Weekly. **2.25** The Grid. (R) **2.55** Late Night Poker. (R) **3.50** That Paralympic Show. (R) **4.15** Road to London 2012: Paralympics Extra. The different varieties of football played at the Games. **5.10** Full Metal Challenge. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** LIVE with Gabby. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Emergency Bikers. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** CSI: NY. (R) **3.15** Film: Angels Fall. (2007) Premiere. Drama based on Nora Roberts' novel, starring Heather Locklear and Johnathon Schaech. Edited for daytime broadcast. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. Michael confronts Summer. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. Brax takes on a brutal opponent in a cage fight. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Eddie Stobart: Trucks and Trailers; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** The Great Falklands Gamble: Revealed; 5 News at 9. **9.00** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. New series. Ted Danson joins the cast as new boss DB Russell. **10.00** CSI: NY. The team tries to stop a sniper. (R) **10.55** CSI: Miami. The team discovers the severed leg of a girl who went missing in Nevada. (R) **11.55** CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. (R) **12.50** Inside Hollywood. **1.00** SuperCasino. **3.55** House Doctor. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. **5.10** Michaela's Wild Challenge. (R)

Wednesday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Crime and Punishment. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. **11.45** Cash in the Attic; (R) BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Missing. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** The Food Inspectors; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Waterloo Road. **9.00** MasterChef: The Final Three. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws. **10.45** Kevin Bridges What's the Story? **11.15** Film 2012 with Claudia Winkleman; National Lottery Update. **11.55** Film: The Children. (2008) Premiere. Horror, starring Eva Birthistle. **1.15** Weatherview. **1.20** Sign Zone: See Hear. (R) **1.50** Upstairs Downstairs. (R) **2.50** How to Grow a Planet. (R) **3.50** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** Daily Politics. **1.00** See Hear. **1.30** Living Dangerously. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. **3.00** Escape to the Country. **3.45** Flog It! (R) **4.30** Breakaway. **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Britain's First Photo Album. **7.00** Watson & Oliver. (R) **8.00** The Fisherman's Apprentice with Monty Halls. **9.00** Rights Gone Wrong? **10.00** Roger & Val Have Just Got In. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** Film: Storyville: Client 9: The Call Girl and the Governor. (2010). **12.50** BBC News. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** The Chase. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Live UEFA Champions League. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** UEFA Champions League: Extra Time. **11.35** Kidnap and Ransom. (R) **12.30** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **2.30** Film: Quadrophenia. (1979) **4.30** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.05** Channel 4 Presents – 2012: Danielle Brown – Part Two. (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.30** According to Jim. **7.55** Festival Morning Line. **8.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.25** Frasier. (R) **9.55** Phil Spencer: Secret Agent. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard. **12.30** Cheltenham Festival. **4.15** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.30** Four in a Bed. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** SuperScrimpers: Top 10 Money-Saving Tips. **9.00** One Born Every Minute. **10.00** 10 O'Clock Live. **10.55** Sri Lanka's Killing Fields: War Crimes Unpunished. **11.55** Random Acts. **12.00** Cheltenham Festival Highlights. **12.30** Music on 4: Black Cab Sessions. **1.00** Music on 4: The Album Chart Show Introduces – Modestep. **1.15** Music on 4: The Album Chart Show: Spotlight. **1.35** Music on 4: 4Play: All the Young. **1.50** Music on 4: 4Play: Jodie Marie. **2.05** Music on 4: The Crush. (R) **3.00** Music on 4: Live from Abbey Road. (R) **3.45** Film: Dragonwyck. (1946) **5.25** Reaper. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** LIVE with Gabby. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Emergency Bikers. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** CSI: NY. (R) **3.15** Film: Love's Resounding Courage. (2011). Premiere. Western, starring Wes Brown, Morgan Lily, Bruce Boxleitner and Cheryl Ladd. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.30** Neighbours. (R) **6.00** Home and Away. (R) **6.30** 5 News at 6.30. **7.00** Cowboy Builders; (R) 5 News Update. **8.00** Big Body Squad; 5 News at 9. **9.00** NCIS. **10.00** Law & Order. **10.55** Law & Order. A six-year-old boy is shot dead. (R) **11.55** Poker: The Big Game. **12.50** Inside Hollywood. **1.00** SuperCasino. **3.55** House Doctor. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** Michaela's Wild Challenge. (R)

Thursday

BBC1 **6.00** Breakfast. **9.15** Crime and Punishment. **10.00** Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. **11.00** Cowboy Trap. **11.45** Cash in the Attic; (R) BBC News; Weather. **12.15** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.30** Regional News; Weather. **1.45** Doctors. **2.15** Missing. (R) **3.00** BBC News; Weather; Regional News. **3.05** CBBC. **5.15** Pointless. **6.00** BBC News; Weather. **6.30** Regional News Programmes; Weather. **7.00** The One Show. **7.30** EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. **8.00** Watchdog. **9.00** MasterChef: The Final Three. **10.00** BBC News. **10.25** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** Question Time. **11.35** This Week. **12.20** Skiing Weatherview. **12.25** Sign Zone: Murdoch's TV Pirates – Panorama. (R) **12.55** Countryfile. (R) **1.55** Natural World: Grizzlies of Alaska. (R) **2.55** Antiques Road Trip. (R) **3.40** BBC News.

BBC2 **6.00** CBeebies. **7.00** CBBC. **8.30** CBeebies. **11.30** BBC World News. **12.00** Daily Politics. **1.00** My Life in Books. (R) **1.30** Living Dangerously. (R) **2.15** Weakest Link. **3.00** Escape to the Country. **3.45** Flog It! (R) **4.30** Breakaway. **5.15** Antiques Road Trip. **6.00** Eggheads. **6.30** Britain's First Photo Album. **7.00** The Hairy Bikers' Bakeation. (R) **8.00** Natural World: Madagascar, Lemurs and Spies. **9.00** White Heat. **10.00** The Sarah Millican Television Programme. **10.30** Newsnight; Weather. **11.20** The Tube. (R) **12.20** BBC News. **3.40** Close. **4.00** BBC Learning Zone.

ITV1 **6.00** Daybreak. **8.30** Lorraine. **9.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show. **10.30** This Morning. **12.30** Loose Women. **1.30** ITV News; Weather. **1.55** Regional News; Weather. **2.00** Dickinson's Real Deal. **3.00** The Alan Titchmarsh Show. **3.59** Regional Weather. **4.00** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.00** The Chase. **6.00** Regional News; Weather. **6.30** ITV News; Weather. **7.00** Emmerdale. **7.30** Our Kids' Rotten Teeth: Tonight. **8.00** Emmerdale. **8.30** Coronation Street. **9.00** Love Life. **10.00** ITV News at Ten; Weather. **10.30** Regional News; Weather. **10.35** For Better for Worse. **11.35** The Late Debate. **12.05** The Jonathan Ross Show. (R) **1.05** Take Me Out. (R) **1.55** The Zone; ITV News Headlines. **3.00** Our Kids' Rotten Teeth: Tonight. (R) **3.25** ITV Nightscreen. **4.35** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) **5.30** ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 **6.10** The Hoobs. (R) **6.35** The Hoobs. (R) **7.00** Freshly Squeezed. **7.25** According to Jim. **7.55** Festival Morning Line. **8.55** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.25** Frasier. (R) **9.55** Phil Spencer: Secret Agent. (R) **11.00** You Deserve This House. **12.00** Channel 4 News Midday Summary. **12.05** Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard. **12.30** Cheltenham Festival. Including the 3.20 Ladbrokes World Hurdle (3m). **4.15** Deal or No Deal. **5.00** Come Dine with Me. **5.30** Four in a Bed. **6.00** The Simpsons. (R) **6.30** Hollyoaks. **7.00** Channel 4 News. **7.55** 4thought.tv. **8.00** Location, Location, Location. **9.00** Mary's Bottom Line. **10.00** Our Man in Tenerife. **11.05** Embarrassing Bodies. (R) **12.05** Random Acts. **12.10** Cheltenham Festival Highlights. **12.40** China: Triumph and Turmoil. (R) **1.35** Channel 4 Presents – Stephen Miller Part Two. (R) **1.40** The World's Richest Teenager and Me. (R) **2.35** Strange Little Girls. (R) **2.50** The Confession. (R) **2.55** The Bible: A History. (R) **3.50** Time Team. (R) **4.45** Reaper. (R) **5.30** 90210. (R)

Channel 5 **6.00** Milkshake! **9.15** The Wright Stuff. **11.10** LIVE with Gabby. **12.10** 5 News Lunchtime. **12.15** Emergency Bikers. (R) **1.15** Home and Away. **1.45** Neighbours. **2.15** CSI: NY. (R) **3.10** Film: Prayers for Bobby. (2009) Fact-based drama, starring Sigourney Weaver, Ryan Kelley and Henry Czerny. **5.00** 5 News at 5. **5.15** Live UEFA Europa League Football. Athletic Bilbao v Manchester United (Kick-off 6.00pm). **8.05** Film: XXX. (2002) Action adventure, starring Vin Diesel, Samuel L. Jackson, Asia Argento, Marton Csokas and Michael Roof. **10.25** Film: The Foreigner. (2003) Action thriller, starring Steven Seagal, Anna-Louise Plowman, Max Ryan, Harry Van Gorkum and Jeffrey Pierce. **12.15** SuperCasino. Live interactive gaming offering viewers the chance to win cash on roulette, blackjack and autowheel. **3.55** House Doctor. (R) **4.20** Wildlife SOS. (R) **5.10** Michaela's Wild Challenge. (R)

Friday

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1 R	2 S	3 C	4 Z	5 Q	6 T	7 K	8 M	9 A	10 G	11 D	12 E	13 Y
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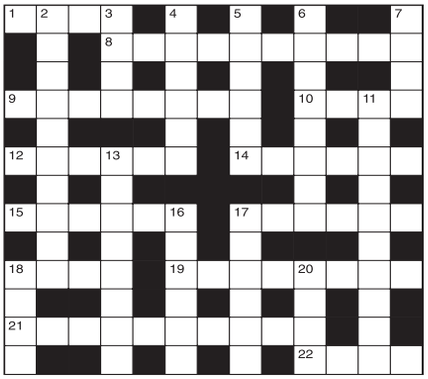
Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.



Cryptic Clues:

Across

1. Yet it takes longer if completed without a hitch! (4)
8. Distressing changes to a musical (10)
9. Reason it out with a foreign girl (8)
10. Dance back with a sly look (4)
12. Give way concerning a fast time (6)
14. Adds up to salt, in a way (6)
15. The horses in the racket (6)
17. Transfer as token (6)
18. Thought I'd half of each (4)
19. There's no end to these feline types (4,4)
21. A polite refusal (2,5,3)
22. At bottom, worthless (4)

Down

2. Though concerned, possibly resented it (10)
3. Return from the choir (4)
4. It's more than obvious; it's expressing dissatisfaction (6)
5. I'm given a role to communicate (6)
6. They make the least and the most effort on the track (8)
7. Ruler in somewhat sardonic mood (4)
11. Supplies information to ten in broken English (10)
13. Yet they could be the happiest inscriptions! (8)
16. The village minister holds twins (6)
17. Troubles any son will produce (6)
18. Travellers may seek them in opposite directions (4)
20. A stunning card (4)

Quick Clues:

Across

1. Fling (4)
8. Gratification (10)
9. Oblique (8)
10. Below (4)
12. Load (6)
14. Threefold (6)
15. Bondman (6)
17. Banish (6)
18. Nil (4)
19. Quarter-circle (8)
21. Disquiet (10)
22. Trial (4)

Down

2. Able to express oneself clearly (10)
3. Weary (4)
4. Abut (6)
5. Harmful influence (6)
6. Decapitated (8)
7. Low (4)
11. Desert (10)
13. Perfidious (8)
16. Fluid (6)
17. Crown (6)
18. Jupiter (4)
20. Repose (4)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 7 Alone; 8 Oratory; 9 Tumbler; 10 Ditto; 12 Accelerate; 15 Leave well; 18 Yacht; 19 Valises; 21 Palaver; 22 Steam. Down: 1 Tastefully; 2 Forms; 3 Reel; 4 Source; 5 Hand-bell; 6 Portray; 11 Open-sesame; 13 Creative; 14 Parcels; 16 Wavers; 17 Aster; 20 Lost.
QUICK - Across: 7 Naive; 8 Elegant; 9 Treadle; 10 Alike; 12 Settlement; 15 Exasperate; 18 Tango; 19 Visitor; 21 Discern; 22 Amiss. Down: 1 Instrument; 2 Miser; 3 Mend; 4 Defeat; 5 Decadent; 6 Mariner; 11 Enterprise; 13 Employed; 14 Earnest; 16 Ravine; 17 Strip; 20 Stay.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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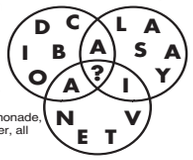
Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: The letter represented by the question mark is O. Lemonade, cordial, root beer, all soft drinks.

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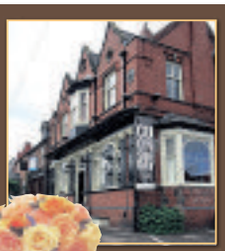

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On the ground floor the entrance hall leads to an L-shaped sitting room, 16ft 4in by 15ft 4in, with a period style fireplace with cast inset flame-effect gas fire, quarry tiled hearth and stairs to the first floor.

The refitted split-level family breakfast kitchen has a range of Shaker-style units with work surfaces, one-and-a-half bowl sink drainer unit with mixer tap, recess and plumbing for dishwasher, integrated gas hob with cooker hood above, integrated oven and integrated fridge with a step up to the breakfast area with space for a table and furniture.

An inner hall provides access to the garage with further doors to the formal dining room/second sitting room measuring 13ft 2in by 12ft 2in including a feature cast iron range with living flame fire and quarry tiled hearth, and to the study and separate utility room with plumbing for automatic washing machine/dishwasher.

On the first floor are three bedrooms and a large period-style bathroom with classic white suite comprising roll top tub bath, separate shower cubicle, pedestal wash basin and low-level wc.

Outside the property is set back behind an attractive walled front cottage-style garden with a driveway providing off road parking and leading to a garage and then a guest cloakroom/wc.

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The property occupies a fine position overlooking historic Hagley Hall parkland estate on the edge of the village, which offers a selection of individual shops and restaurants together with first-rate schooling and a railway station.

The Lindens is a handsome period home of great character with architectural features including impressive fireplaces, moulded dado rails and cornicing, sash windows and tall ceilings.

The drawing room and dining room are particularly light and spacious, with fireplaces and wide bay windows overlooking the secluded frontage.

An everyday sitting room lies at the heart of the house, adjoining the kitchen breakfast room and also having French doors to the conservatory.

These areas, together with a generous formal breakfast room, make it ideal for family life, with the ground floor also having a study, utility room, cloakroom and garaging.

On the first floor are five bedrooms, the two main ones enjoying views over the parkland, and the principal served by a luxury en-suite.

The house is approached through wrought iron gates onto a stone chip parking and turning driveway with access to the garaging.

The frontage is particularly impressive with a sculpted lawn dressed by borders and mature trees, while the rear garden is laid on traditional lines by a shaped sun terrace and bordered private lawn.

For further information, contact estate agent Andrew Grant on 01905 734735.

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Flexible living space offered at £239,950

A SPLIT-LEVEL detached bungalow in Botany Drive, Upper Gornal, is for sale based on offers around £239,950.

The property offers flexible living space.

It has accommodation comprising of hallway with guest wc, dining kitchen with lounge off and stairs down to a conservatory, utility room, three bedrooms with en-suite to the master, bathroom and storage rooms.

The property also benefits from upvc double glazed windows, gas central heating, rear garden and driveway providing off road parking and a garage.

Approached via a block paved driveway with parking for two cars and a front garden with a selection of trees and shrubs there is a side access to the rear garden.

Inside the hall has a door to the guest cloakroom which has a low level flush wc and wash hand basin.

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The lounge, 19ft by 15ft 3in, has a feature fireplace with living flame gas fire.

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Bargain.
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LAURA 36, seeks male for companionship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384171**

PAM young looking curvy feminine red head, loves animals, WLTM male 35-50 to be my significant other. GOSH a Must. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386283**

LAURA 26 looking for fun with open minded mature male, looks/age and status unimportant. Call me to find out more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386281**

FULL figured pretty female 37, divorced mum of one, likes cooking, nights out, seeks independent respectful professional for love. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386279**

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JANE 40's, blonde blue eyed petite build, with ties, WLTM understanding tall, caring man for daytime meets. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 375141**

HOME alone with no one to call my own! 38yr old naughty girl looking for fun. Can travel. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 363277**

CARLY beautiful slim brunette looking for mature male 50-70yrs for fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 376569**

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DIVORCED very lonely single mum, young looking, slim, attractive, WLTM similar male for companionship. Age/looks/Status unimportant. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 370023**

SARAH 38, slim, nice looking, tactile, no ties, WLTM kind, loving male to enjoy affectionate relationship. Any age/looks. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 378483**

BETTY fuller figured black female, 26, body confident, affectionate, WLTM older chocolate loving male for daytime meets. Any status. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 377511**

ANNA 29yr old nurse, 6ft curvy auburn beauty, likes cosy nights in, genuinely seeking older, well built male to look after, 40-69yrs. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 375139**

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CHANTAL lonely 40yr old female looking for male 40-45 for fun. Interested? Call me. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 383921**

JEANINE 40yrs, very cute petite artistic female who has a real passion for life, WLTM similarly male for tactile LTR, 40-55yrs. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 383917**

MICHELLE blonde blue eyed happy female, loves heels and being feminine, OHAC, self sufficient, looking for male for long term romance and more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382089**

29YR old large black female looking for much older male, up to 70yrs, for naughty friendship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 370017**

KIRSTY 36 attractive, blonde, seeking open-minded decent male for fun friendship, 40-60yrs. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 373013**

MANDY 36, size 10, looking for relationship with open-minded man. Status unimportant. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 360317**

SUZANNA lonely beautiful classy French lady looking for happy decent reliable man for lots of TLC and good times. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 375711**

STACEY young 20yr old looking for fun. Call me to find out more. Status unimportant. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382091**

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JENNY blue eyed cuddly independent female, loves countryside, animals, cooking, WLTM older male to spoil and look after. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 378481**

LOUISE 35, dark hair, blue eyes, attractive ex air hostess, looking for fun with older male for romantic nights in and more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 381341**

JOY very hot fun loving 35yr old American female over on regular business, looking for English gent for mutually convenient friendship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 378507**

DAWN 33yr old female looking for companionship with understanding, non jealous, respectful male 35-55yrs. Status unimportant. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 383065**

JULIE blonde brown eyes, size 12, varied interests, loves cuddling, kissing and showing affection, seeks similar energetic male friend for TLC. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385605**

40'S LAlady, lovely curves, solvent but lonely, seeks nice older male to pamper, enjoy fun and affection with. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 358135**

SALLY blonde looking for fun and mutually attentive relationship with male 35 plus. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385599**

CATHY good looking brunette with a real passion for life, seeking male for happy times, dates, chats, romance and more. Pls call. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385603**

CAROL petite brunette, 38yrs, romantic, affectionate, outgoing, seeks similar male for nice times together. Any age/looks. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 377513**

LOVING caring young 67yr old female, 5ft 2ins, slim size 12, brown hair, likes meals out, GSOH, smoker, seeks slim, smart male with GSOH, 58-62. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 364651**

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I'M still single! Waiting for a nice guy of any age to sweep me off my feet. I'm fun loving and looking for a good time. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 357141**

SINGLE mum, 36, 2 children, seeks fun loving male with GSOH. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382595**

KIND romantic, loving lady, 43, slight disability, seeks genuine male for romance. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385309**

CURVY red haired female, been hurt in the past seeks older male to buy her flowers and mend her broken heart. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 377432**

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40 something, attractive gent, seeks lady 45-55 for fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384401**

BLACK male, 42, 5ft 7ins, average build, GSOH, seeks nice looking, slim-medium build female, 30-40 with GSOH for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386347**

60'S MAmale, medium build, fit, high drive, seeks West Midlands lady who needs occasional male evening/weekend company. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 381307**

TALL good looking guy 48, GSOH, honest, seeks open-minded, mature female for fun only relationship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386593**

MALE 60, strong needs, seeks similar lady for regular evening/weekend meetings. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384219**

40YR old male, likes pubs, bars, seeks female for fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 384325**

SLIM attractive man, 49, caring, GSOH, seeks lady 35-55 for evenings out and friendship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386521**

MIKE friendly guy 48, tall, fit, GSOH, seeks lady for fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 376921**

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DENNIS 36, white, slim, dark hair, enjoys life, friendly, many interests, seeks female for friendship and more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386539**

DANIEL 49, tall, attractive, GSOH, seeks lady for fun relationship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 382559**

ATTRACTIVE tall honest guy, 48, polite, respectful with GSOH, seeks female for fun relationship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 371823**

PAUL 63, tall, attractive, fit, normal, lonely, likes DIY, travel, nights out, seeks female to care for and turn life around. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386417**

JOE 45, attractive, GSOH, medical professional, seeks female 18-65 for daytime fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386093**

SINCERE kind male, young 60's, intelligent, caring, slim, likes arts, films, seeks attractive, intelligent female, 50 plus with style and a playful side for loving relationship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386215**

JEFF 60's, WLTM petite female, 40's for nights out, walks, camping, holidays, weekends away etc. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385695**

MALE 58, 5ft 8ins, medium build, short hair, GSOH, seeks female, 50-60 to share happiness and life with. Tipton. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 370649**

STEVE 6ft 2ins, 64, GSOH, likes countryside, seeks female for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 377113**

MALE 45, 5ft 7ins, medium build, short hair, N/S, no ties, honest, likes sports, cinema, countryside, DIY, seeks female, 20-60 for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 332453**

TED seeks female for fun and friendship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385947**

STEVE 61, seeks attractive younger lady for daytime fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385875**

MALE 57, honest, caring, seeks genuine honest, mature female to end the lonely days and nights. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385815**

ALAN young 62, N/S, slim, solvent, successful, OHAC, WLTM sensitive, caring female, 50-60 for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 380651**

GENUINE male, 54, own home, seeks female, any age for fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 368871**

63YR old male, widower, retired, looking for female of any age/status for fun relationship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 389132**

DARK haired male, slim, blue eyes, fit, likes pubs, clubs, weekends away, seeks female, age/looks/status unimportant. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 385087**

MALE 40, dark hair/eyes, fit, seeks fit, sporty, romantic female, 30-45 for friendship, maybe more. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 301791**

ATTRACTIVE professional, male, 43, kind, caring, likes travel, romance, dining, seeks attractive lady, 35-50 for friendship/relationship. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 370823**

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MALE 43, blue eyes, seeks guy for fun. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 386389**

ATTRACTIVE male 34, 5ft 10ins, blue eyes, blond hair, seeks slim male for fun relationship. Any area, can travel. **Tel No: 0907 004 4190 Box No: 311892**

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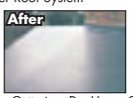

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Renault gearing up for the electric revolution

RENAULT thinks one in ten new cars bought around the world in 2020 will be powered by a battery and has already invested billions to help make that forecast come true.

By Ian Donaldson

So it must hope the sales figures for purely-electric vehicles in the UK are going to pep up dramatically to help towards a brighter plug-in future. Last year we bought just 1,082 of them from the handful of car makers with a model in the showroom.

Now comes Renault's first passenger vehicle to point us towards a cleaner life in cars that emit nothing horrid from their tailpipes (and don't have exhausts anyway).

It's called the Fluence and you feel Renault knows the real electric push won't come from this car. We'll have to wait a few months for that and the arrival of the Zoe, a chic looking compact hatch that might just become the must-have urban runaround for the on-trend motorist.

The Fluence can't hope to fill that bill. It's big (based on a stretched Megane with the large new battery behind the rear seats) and gawky looking and, crucially, can manage as little as 50 miles between overnight charges.

In the right conditions (light town work with heater and lights off) you might stretch that to 125 miles, but the Fluence is inevitably going to be a second car in the family, which will need something that goes a lot further, a lot of the time.

Opposition

Still, should you find you could offer a Fluence the right conditions to thrive you'll be buying a car that looks good value against the limited opposition.

With the government's £5,000 electric car subsidy taken into account the Fluence costs either £17,495 for the Expression or £18,395 for the posher and very well equipped Dynamique driven here.

You must then hire the battery, from £76 a month with a 6,000 miles a year limit (more miles cost extra). Renault reckons not buying the battery outright gives a Fluence owner peace of mind that it won't cost a fortune to replace, and will also make the car easier to sell when the time comes.

Lower servicing charges than a comparable petrol or diesel engined car help keep running costs down and there's the huge attraction of the £3 recharge too.

The car drives pretty well; electric motors produce most push from low revs and the Fluence fairly flies from a standing start, accompanied by a distant whine that sounds like your holiday jet launching itself along the runway.

Lift off and the cabin turns limo quiet at low speeds, go a bit faster and tyres and wind noise give it the feel of a well insulated conventional car.

It rides well too, with a relaxing lope that would perfectly suit a car capable of much greater distances than the Fluence manages between enforced stops.

Use all its performance and the battery level meter on the dash will plunge; I consumed a quarter of the charge in 20 miles on an admittedly chilly day (needing the heater on) and along a winding, hilly route.

Which means you'll be a bit of an eco hero to buy one. The smaller Zoe looks a more promising prospect for saving the planet. A fine car to drive and own that makes a compelling case for real world economy champion. No range anxiety either!

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World Speedway Champion Greg Hancock Returning to Cradley Heath

Cradley Heathens legend and current World Speedway Champion Greg Hancock is returning home to where his career started 24 years ago. Fans will have the chance to meet Greg when he opens the new Motor Market car dealership site in Newtown Lane, Cradley Heath on Saturday 17th March at 11:30pm.

Greg made almost 400 appearances for the club, which gave his career a start back in 1989. American Greg crowned a fantastic season last year by becoming World Champion for the 2nd time at the age of 41.

Motor Market co owner Adam Bridge said "It's very exciting for us to be involved in bringing Greg back to Cradley Heath. We know exactly what speedway and Greg mean to the people of Cradley and giving Greg's fans the opportunity to meet and congratulate him in person will be fantastic. It really should be a great day."

To add to the occasion Carol's famous Heathens pork sandwiches and refreshments will be provided free from the original catering van used on the Dudley Wood site. A raffle with prizes including 2 Dudley Heathens season tickets, further special guests and children's entertainment with a bouncy castle and face painting will all be on site.

Greg's rare appearance back in the UK is largely thanks to Colin Pratt his former Heathens boss who brought him to Cradley back in the late 80's. Colin, now in charge at Coventry Bees, has assembled a world class field of top stars, led by Greg to ride in The Brandonapolis Open meeting Friday 16th March at Brandon.

A third opportunity to pay tribute to Greg will be on the evening of Saturday 17th March at The Venue, Dudley from 8.30pm where Greg will take to the stage as the star attraction along with Jan O Pedersen, Colin and other surprise guests in an event organised by the Heathens Supporters Club. Tickets are available at £10 and can be purchased at www.dudleyheathens.co.uk or contact HSSC on 07766 745681.

Motor Markets Dean Bridge added, "It should be a very special weekend for the many people still fanatical about speedway in the area. You only need to attend the British Grand Prix in Cardiff each summer to see the amount of goodwill and support still given to Greg by the Cradley fans, I've no doubt, even today we still regard him as one of our own.

I would doubt whether there's ever been a more popular Speedway World Champion. We could not wish for a better ambassador for the sport or our town. I know the Heathens fans are very proud of him and his achievements and hope they turn out in force to welcome him back to Cradley Heath."

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Skipper leads by example for Lions

Stourbridge 35 Eccleshall 26

STOURBRIDGE Lions rugby continued their winning run with a superb away victory over Eccleshall to overtake them in the Midlands 3 West (North) table.

Seven tries. including an unlikely hat-trick for captain and No.8 Stuart Doolittle, achieved the bonus point in an exciting encounter.

Stour were quick out of the blocks and spent most of the first quarter in or around the home 22, with powerful drives by the forwards penning their hosts back.

The first try was not long in coming, with a set backs move working perfectly for Will Ballard to touch down.

From the restart, a slick passing move from the Stour 22 down the right involving both centres and winger Danny Cox tore Eccleshall apart and ended with a great try for George Tildesley.

Disrupt

Stour relaxed and the home side scored a try wide on the right, converted to leave the score 10-7.

However, scrum-half Ben Trinham disrupted a home scrum in their 22 and Doolittle crashed over from close in to give Stour a 15-7 lead.

Unfortunately, sloppy play in midfield allowed another converted home try and the half ended with Stour 15-14 ahead.

Injuries in the pack and backs meant some reshuffling but a try by Andy Slater soon after the restart, following a good run from Ballard, gave Stour a cushion they were never to lose.

A great grubber kick by Trinham gave Tildesley his second try soon after for a 25-14 lead and then a 40m kick and chase by Doolittle extended the lead to 30-14 with his second try.

Back came Eccleshall with a third converted try but Doolittle then completed his stunning hat-trick with around 10 minutes to go.

Another converted try by the home side right on the final whistle gave the score some respectability but Stour ran out 35-26 winners.

A good win but it could have been more comfortable. Their backs and forwards were superior but a loss of concentration kept the home side in it.

Saturday sees a home league game against Harborne before the National Vase Midlands cup final on March 17 at home to Earlsdon.

Promotion challenge still on for firsts

Old Halesonians

Old Halesonians 6-2 Droitwich

OLD Hales hockey firsts eased to another victory against league strugglers Droitwich.

Following points being docked from Old Silhillians, Old Hales' promotion push is still alive, as they move into the last two games of the season.

The game started at a high pace, and Droitwich held their own for the first 10 minutes as Hales struggled to break down their defensive line. Both teams had chances, but were unable to find the target. Old Halesonians soon started to dominate as they passed the ball around well. The breakthrough came from striker Graham Knight who found the net in spectacular fashion as he volleyed home at the back post, after a winding run from man of the match Josh Randhawa.

Hales' second came when Mark Curzon scored from a penalty corner. However Droitwich hit back almost immediately to reduce the deficit after a deflected shot wrong footed Hales' goalkeeper James Jones.

At 2-1, Hales picked up their game again and increased their lead with a goal from Tom Durnford. Before the break, Hales made it 4-1 when Harry Hughes was the fourth name on the scoresheet, firing in from close range after he rounded the Droitwich keeper.

The second period saw Hales dominate possession but struggle to capitalise on their chances. Tom Bulteel was able to continue his scoring form, as he notched Hales' fifth. Droitwich did not give up, and after an innocuous challenge, Hales defender Ben Hughes was shown a green card. Droitwich were able to score again from the resulting penalty corner to make it 5-2. As the game reached its conclusion Harry Hughes grabbed his second of the game to make it 6-2.

Khalsa 4 Old Halesonians 0

Old Halesonians 2nd XI were out-classed by table-topping Khalsa at St Nicholas Park.

The away side, looking to build for next season with neither promotion nor relegation a possibility, fielded a changed side which saw some of the club's bright youngsters given the chance to step up to a much quicker pace then what they are normally used to. The side started nervously, and the cause was not helped when captain Steve Charlton let in a soft goal from a short corner within the opening few minutes. Hales struggled for rhythm and soon found themselves two down.

Hales' struggle continued in the second half, but a much more spirited effort saw them keep Khalsa to just another two goals, with many players settling down into the game.

Hales now face four fixtures before the end of the season, three of them at home, starting with a double-header next weekend against Finchfield and Stratford.

14-goal rout has third XI closing in

Old Halesonians 3 Bridgnorth 3

IT was a top-of-the-table clash at Great Park on Saturday, as second-placed Old Hales thirds played host to league leaders Bridgnorth.

The game certainly reflected the quality of the teams as the match started at a fast pace.

Unbeaten Bridgnorth soon found themselves behind, when the home side found the net through Stephen Butler.

Old Hales doubled their lead when midfield stronghold Damian Shackleton scored. Before the break, Bridgnorth were able to grab a goal back after a defensive mix up.

After half-time, Hales increased their lead to two again as Dan Millichap made it 3-1.

Despite the scoreline, Bridgnorth continued to pile pressure on the Hales defence. And it was only a matter of time before they scored to make it 3-2.

In the final minute of the game, Bridgnorth were awarded a penalty-corner which found the net, to equalise for the league leaders.

This was to be the final action of the game, as the two top teams shared the spoils.

Old Halesonians 14 Solihull Blossomfield 0

On Sunday, Old Hales thirds XI hosted a depleted Solihull Blossomfield side that are all but relegated after their huge loss to Hales.

The win means that Old Halesonians 3rd XI have almost secured promotion, as they need just one point from the last three games.

With only 10 players and no goalkeeper, Solihull Blossomfield put up a good fight in the early periods of the game, but they soon started to leak goals.

The Hales strike-force made extremely hard work of putting the ball into the empty net on several occasions in the first half. As the Blossomfield side tired, Hales dominated the game and put plenty of goals on the score sheet.

Adam Hill scored four; Damian Shackleton, Charles Palmer and Conor Reid all scored two with Nathan Kelly, Deck Glaze, Gareth Bayley and Kris Sunburk all grabbing a goal.

Other Results: Barford Tigers 5-2 OHHC 4th XI; Stourport 0-2 OHHC Ladies.

Calvin shows the way with a brace of goals

Stourbridge U15A 2 Inkberrow 0

TWO goals from Calvin Campbell secured the points for a solid looking Glassboys against Inkberrow at Enville.

Stourbridge were the better side from the first whistle, although the performance did not match the heights of last week they never looked in trouble with chances aplenty being created and chances conceded at a minimum. Campbell's goals came either side of the break. The second being the pick, finishing from 16 yards out after some neat build up play.

They now await the draw for the play-off cup after finishing in a creditable 10th in their first season.

Stourbridge South U16 1 Winterbourne Utd 2

An even game saw Winterbourne take the lead with a well-taken free-kick. Stourbridge held their own and midway through the second half a quality free-kick from Tom Overfield saw them equalise. Winterborne then started to take control with 10 minutes to go and were rewarded with a goal in the last few minutes.

Bilbrook 0 Stourbridge U12 A 0

Stour again played some excellent football away to Bilbrook but, as in previous encounters, it ended in a draw. Stourbridge needed something to happen in front of goal but it was the only thing missing from the display. Bilbrook are a good team and defended resolutely but Stourbridge were disappointed not to take all three points.

Stourbridge Juniors U12 B 0 Dudley Sports 1

On a wet and heavy pitch, Stourbridge started off very lively with a couple of chances going wide but it was Sports who took the lead, which they held. Stourbridge man of the match was Freddie Clewes.

Oxford City 2 Stourbridge U14 FC 0

Stour made the long journey to Oxford City and, on a poor pitch Stour, started a little nervy with no player really wanting to get on the ball. Oxford appeared to be constantly on the attack with Stour having the odd counter. Then came the sucker punch as Stourbridge lost possession and a long ball over the top found the Oxford No.9 who scored. It could have been worse but for a fine point-blank save from Stour keeper Callam Rich from a header inside the six-yard box.

Stourbridge Juniors

Stour then saw Lucas Muckley put Connor Lawrence through one-on-one with the keeper, who made a good save. Then Stour had what looked like a perfectly good 'goal' disallowed for offside.

The second half saw Stourbridge huff and puff as they attempted to get the equaliser.

As time wore on they went to three up front but they still could not muster one shot on target.

However, it was difficult to get any rythym as Oxford were breaking up the game making substitutions.

As space opened up, Oxford scored a second which the striker appeared to control with his arm before turning in the box and slotting home.

Other results: Withymoor 1 Stourbridge U15 Girls 1; Halesowen Rangers 11 Stourbridge U15 B 0; Nuneaton Town 1 Stourbridge North U16 1; Stourbridge U18 1 Woodford United 2; Kewford Eagles West 2 Stourbridge U10 0; Stourbridge U13 A 3 Kenilworth 2.

Shooter's sights set on London

STOURBRIDGE'S Richard Davies has London in his sights.

Wheelchair-bound Davies, who was paralysed from the chest down in a swimming pool accident, has targeted the Paralympics after coming top in the country at rifle target shooting.

Davies, aged 40, of Cedar Close, Norton, was just one point off equalling the world record when he scored 599 out of 600 in the British Open championships in Surrey.

He was up against able-bodied as well as disabled rivals. It is the second year running he has clinched the Great Britain title.

Davies is off to compete in World Cup events in Poland and Turkey – and stands a good chance of being selected to represent Great Britain at the London Paralympics.

"I'd be absolutely over the moon if I was selected – my ultimate focus has been to make it to London 2012," said Davies, who was paralysed when he fell backwards into the Wyre Forest Glades pool at Kidderminster 21 years ago.

Stourbridge sharp-shooter Richard Davies alongside his wife Louise

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Souvenir brochure for Greg's return

DUDLEY HEATHENS are producing a real collectors item to mark Greg Hancock's return to where it all started.

The reigning world champion, who launched his career with the old Cradley club at Dudley Wood back in 1989, will make a rare appearance in the area on Saturday, March 17.

He is guest of honour at The Venue Conference and Banqueting Centre, High Street, Dudley where hundreds of fans will pay tribute to the 41-year-old.

And a special souvenir programme featuring articles, statistics and over 100 pictures from throughout his career, will be available on the night.

Heathens chairman Nigel Pearson said: "The interest in this event has been massive and we are so excited about seeing Greg back in the area where it all started.

"The brochure is a must for all Greg Hancock fans, we have worked closely with Jeff Davies to gather pictures and there are some fantastic images from the early Cradley days.

"It's a real collectors item and a great souvenir of Greg's visit."

Confident Aston on a mission

DUDLEY'S Ryan Aston will be looking to prove that his preparation has been 'poles apart' from Lee Noble when they fight in Sheffield.

Aston has been in Poland this week to spar with Grzegorz Proksa, the reigning European middleweight champion.

Both now move on to compete on the Matchroom bill at the Motorpoint Arena on Saturday March 17, live on Sky Sports.

Proksa defends his title against Kerry Hope while Aston has a six-rounder with Noble, a former English title challenger.

And Aston insists he will use the high level of training to overwhelm Noble when they climb into the ring on fight night.

He said: "No-one is underestimated when I fight them, I just predict the outcome. He's been there, so it will be a good test.

"I know if my training is right, my diet is right and my mind is right, I am going to win."

Pratt to keep tabs on Heathens' progress

Dudley Heathens

FORMER Cradley boss Colin Pratt will have extra reason to follow Heathens' progress this season.

Netherton-based Pratt, who also rode for the club in 1970, is in charge of Coventry and Bees asset Adam Roynon will lead the Heathens as skipper and No.1 in the new campaign.

Heathens launch their season on Tuesday, April 3, against Stoke at Monmore in the Staffs Cup.

Said Pratt: "Adam is a very good rider and we all know the bad luck he's had throughout his career with injuries, he's had more than his fair share.

"I'll get across to Wolverhampton as much as I can to see him riding for Dudley and obviously he will figure in the Coventry team at times during the season.

"It would be nice for Heathens fans to see their team have a good season and the whole Dudley project can only continue to raise the profile. I know things are going on behind the scenes which might take some time but as long as the team are on track and in the headlines it keeps the flag flying.

"I wish them well for the coming season. Once again I will follow their results with interests.

"I still live within close proximity to the old stadium and have many friends from the old Cradley days."

Pratt will be one of the guests at a special evening to celebrate former Cradley star Greg Hancock's world title success next week. Hancock will be honoured on Saturday, March 17, at the Conference Venue and Banqueting Suite on Dudley High Street.

The special evening has already sold more than 300 tickets and fans are urged to book quickly.

Tickets can be bought online at **www.dudleyheathens.com** or by sending a cheque payable to HSSC, 2 Caernarvon Way, Dudley, West Midlands, DY1 2TR. For more details, contact HSSC on 07766 745681.

SAXONS' SEARCH FOR A VICTORY CONTINUES

A RARE Adam Sturdy try was scant consolation for the Saxons as they were swept aside by fellow National One strugglers Wharfedale.

The prop forward was driven over from a rolling maul two minutes into the second half but the unconverted score failed to knock their hosts off their stride as they ran in five tries to ease their own relegation worries.

Wharfedale 40
Stourbridge Saxons 5

There had been little to choose between the sides in the opening minutes with the Dalesmen edging into a six-point lead thanks to a Tom Davidson penalty and Tom Barrett drop goal.

That was how it remained and it was the Saxons who looked the more likely to cross the line for the opening try as they pinned their hosts back with wave after wave of pressure.

But Wharfedale's defence was solid and, with 15 minutes of the half remaining, they cut loose with a brace of tries.

Scrum-half Phil Woodhead was first over the line and this was followed by a second try from winger Simon Horsfall just before half-time. Davidson added the conversions and slotted over a penalty to open up a 23-0 lead at the turn.

Sturdy's try gave the visitors a glimmer of hope but this was cancelled out within five minutes when back row Dan Solomi ran free from a tapped penalty move.

From then on it was one-way traffic with flanker Alex Rieder gathering a Barrett chip for the fourth try before replacement prop Joe Altham added a fifth just before the end, the latter being converted by Davidson.

The Saxons, who handed a first start to young prop Ryan Furness and had former Colt Sam Baker on the wing, will be hoping to claim their first win of the year when they play host to Rosslyn Park on Saturday.

DK turn on the style

DUDLEY KINGSWINFORD turned on the power as they gained sweet revenge for a defeat at Scunthorpe in October.

DK produced brilliant handling and passing that led to regular scintillating passages of attacking play as they powered in 11 tries on thir way to a 73-10 success.

Matt Farrington (2), Jordan Brookes (2), Luke Greenwood (2), Pete Knight, Duncan Chance, Jon Tideswell, Stefan Shillingford and Stefan Thorp all touched down while Jon Higgins landed nine conversions.

Legends to the aid of Callum

ASTON Villa legends will be taking on Stourbridge FC's former players and coaches to raise money for a teenager who was paralysed in a BMX accident.

Callum Loveridge, aged 17, was injured when he fell while performing a stunt on his bike on a woodland course near Kidderminster in 2010.

A match has been organised in his honour at Stourbridge's War Memorial Ground on April 1 with Aston Villa Old Stars set to take on Stourbridge FC Old Stars at 2pm.

There will also be a BMX exhibition, stands and family activities during the event, which opens at 12pm.

All the money raised will be donated to Callum, who lives with his family in Wollaston.

Stourbridge FC director Andy Bullingham said: "We wanted to do something to help Callum. It should be a good day and hopefully we can raised a serious amount of cash for him."

The club is offering the chance for people to join the Stourbridge team to take on the former Villa players during the game.

Four 15-minute spots are being auctioned off on Callum's fundraising website.

For further details log on to www.cal4u.co.uk

Former Villa defender Ken McNaught, left, with Stourbridge director Andy Bullingham and Callum Loveridge, aged 17, and Glassboys supporters

Solly's on top form to thwart visitors

Stourbridge 0 Hitchin 0

STOURBRIDGE were relieved with a point in a below-par performance against hard-working Hitchin.

The Hertfordshire visitors had the better of the first hour and had enough chances to win, but a combination of good goalkeeping from Glassboys' Lewis Solly and some wasteful finishing meant they failed to score.

The hosts survived a second-minute scare when Callum Donnelly played the ball down the line for John Frendo. His left-wing cross curled towards the right-hand edge of the box. Solly was drawn off his line, but Effiong shot straight at him

Then Frendo's dipping long-range effort dropped wide. In the 10th minute a Hitchin free-kick was partly cleared and Laurie Stewart touched the ball to Effiong, who fired over the bar.

Zac Burke accelerated past Jamie Oliver before delivering a low cross to Effiong but his low shot was blocked by the legs of Solly.

There was a flashpoint after 15 minutes when a scything tackle by Oliver on Frendo saw the visiting striker retaliate. Both players escaped with a caution.

Solly came to the rescue on 19 minutes as Effiong beat Rock before bearing down on the Stourbridge box. The diving keeper deflected his low drive.

On 35 minutes Frendo headed a Tony Fontenelle cross wide. Four minutes before the break Stourbridge's John Griffin blazed wide.

Linden Dovey and Aaron Griffiths replaced Griffin and Oliver after the break.

In the 50th minute Solly pushed Effiong's shot wide. Solly was then beaten but the shot hit the upright.

Griffiths almost came up with a winner but his low shot was just wide.

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